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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The sales of arms to French agents is likely to receive the very fullest exposition, for there are now two full-fledged investigations at work upon it, one in each House. The Senate Committee met this morning and elected Mr. HAMLIN Chairman, though he strenuously objected to being assigned to that position. He accepted, nevertheless, and in addressing the Committee said he should favor the fullest and most searching examination into all the branches of investigation covered by the resolution. This expression was warmly concurred in by Mr. CARPENTER and other Senators present, and it was resolved that Messrs. SUMNER and SCHURZ be invited to be present during the examination and aid the Committee by any facts, knowledge or suggestions bearing upon the case. It was resolved to begin the investigation with the Secretary of War, who will accordingly appear to-morrow morning and undergo examination for the second time within a week on the same subject. The examination of Gen. DYER will follow. On the House side of this affair, the investigation was resumed this morning by the examination of the Secretary of the Treasury, on the subject of the alleged discrepancies. His testimony showed, in point of fact, that there were no discrepancies, and the inference was pretty plain that, if members of Congress cared to be fair and honest, and sought to know as much as they should respecting the methods of conducting the public business, no charges of discrepancies would ever have originated. It is now probable that the House Committee will ask to be discharged from the further prosecution of this investigation.

REDUCTION OF THE TARIFF.

The Ways and Means Committee are progressing steadily but slowly in agreeing upon a bill for reductions in the tariff. The pressure of special interests is very strong, each to save itself, and progress of maturing a bill is thus retarded. It is not true, as yet, that that Committee has agreed upon a reduction of $2 per ton on pig-iron, though they will probably reduce the duty somewhat. Mr. BROOKS this morning presented the memorial of the stove-founders of Troy, who say they consume 26,000 tons of pig-iron annually, and who ask that inasmuch as the profit of the manufacture of pig-iron now is eighty-one per cent, that the entire existing duty on pig-iron be abolished.

JAPS ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE.

The scene in the House today during the visit of the Japanese Embassy has but one parallel in legislative annals, that being a similar reception tendered the Chinese Embassy that came with the late Mr. BURLINGAME. It was the universal judgment that the arrangements were made and carried out with the utmost good taste. Next to the dignity of the reception, its simplicity was the most noticeable characteristic. The audience was as large as ever crowded into the House, and during the ceremony was quiet and attentive. Gen. BANKS, as master of the ceremonies, displayed all the tact and good sense for which he is proverbial on occasions of this kind. Everybody listened as closely to Prince IWAKURA'S response to Speaker BLAINE'S brief welcome, as though it were in the simplest English. There was a musical cadence in his delivery, and he seemed to be singing a Japanese song. When Gen. BANKS read the translation, it was found to be as delicate a bit of prose poetry as ever got into language. The sentiment was so neatly and cordially turned that it compelled a round of hearty applause. The members were then introduced to the Embassy, Mr. DAWES and Mr. GARFIELD leading the long line of hand-shakers.

DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.

The political debate of yesterday was continued in a desultory manner in the House today, throughout the entire sitting of the Committee of the Whole on the Deficiency bill. By way of covering the flank of Mr. COX'S disastrous retreat of yesterday, Mr. WOOD repeated, for the third or fourth time this session, his stock speech about peculation and extravagance, overlooking, as usual, the facts on these topics which New-York furnishes. This failing, Mr. BROOKS returned to the subject of Mr. COX'S discomfiture yesterday, and as an evidence of Democratic good-will toward the negro, said that an hour ago Mr. WOOD had marched upon the floor arm in arm with one of the Japanese Embassy. A derisive laugh from both sides of the House made the "thinness" of this plea so conspicuous that Mr. BROOKS also gave it up as a bad job. Mr. BECK, in one of his celebrated pro-Kuklux speeches, then assailed the objects of the $1,000,000 appropriation for the Courts. Judge BINGHAM stopped the Democratic speeches very suddenly by insisting that all this was but a covert method of resisting an appropriation to carry out the laws of the United States. The Committee finished the Deficiency bill before the House adjourned.

THE CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

When the Appropriation Committee, now before the Senate as a Committee of the Whole is reported to the Senate, there will be renewed debate upon the appropriation for the civil service reform movement and the execution of the new rules. Mr. CARPENTER will doubtless take the occasion to make his long-promised speech on the latest political delusion, and Mr. LOGAN promises to move a repeal of the law under which the Civil Service Board was appointed. The discussion upon civil service reform once opened, and there is no knowing where it will end, or which side will win. The additional forty clerks for the Land Office will be opposed still, but when the facts are explained there can be little doubt the increase will be made. The usual appropriation was made for the Educational Bureau, after the usual annual abuse. Mr. SUMNER has not been in the Senate this week, but the rest which he has been taking has improved his health, and if the civil service appropriation is discussed he will be able to appear and take part in the debate.

A SCHEME TO ROB THE GOVERNMENT.

The document which Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, brought into the Senate today, and had read by the Clerk, was more of a bombshell than the famous arms investigation resolution, inasmuch as it exposed an audacious swindle which was contrived to take three millions of dollars per year out of the due public Treasury, and thereby prevented anything further being accomplished by the enterprise at present. It was a great pity that Gen. SHERMAN'S letter, affording material for such a genuine sensation, did not fall into the hands of a genuine reformer like Mr. SCHURZ, where it could have been kept for a time, while public expectation could be wrought up by dark hints about wonderful developments, and expectation raised so that the final announcement could have been properly greeted. Still the interests of the country perhaps have been as well served. There is a great deal of talk to-night about the circular, which it seems has been sent by Mr. SMITH to all the railroads in the country, and much surprise and indignation that he should have used the information which he obtained as an Assistant Postmaster-General, for the purpose of working up a combination of railroads for a strike, with the view of putting several hundred thousands of dollars in his own pocket. His intimations that Congressmen were to be bribed are not at all relished. There is no doubt that the exposure of the scheme has utterly destroyed it.

THE SAND-STONE INVESTIGATION.

The investigation into the use of Seneca sandstone in the State Department foundation, ordered some time since, has been postponed hitherto because, as the resolution required the evidence of the effect of weather upon the stone, the Committee have deemed the severe Winter weather the best possible test of the material. But, now that the supervising architect, MULLETT, has sufficiently recovered to resume his duties, the investigation has been ordered to begin next Monday.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

CONFIRMED.

The Senate in Executive Session today confirmed the following nominations:

Wilbur F. Sanders, District-Attorney for Montana Territory; Joseph M. Hinds, of Alabama, Consul at Rio de Janeiro; Henry L. Hall, of Michigan, Consul at Valparaiso, Spain; Henry E. Cobb, vice-Jas. M. Costello, Receiver of Public Money at Fort Play, Colorado Territory; H. S. Briggs, Appraiser of Merchandise at Boston; J. W. C. Bryant, Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Fourth District, Tennessee.

Postmasters—Volney B. Colwell, Navasota, Texas; Mrs. S. E. Edwards, Shawnee Town, Ill.; Joseph K. Mecom, El Paso, Texas; John A. Colton, Belvidere, Illinois; O. M. Demarest, Marshall, Texas; Alfred Jones, Sherwood, Thayer, Kansas; Edwin W. Houghton, Wellington, Ohio; Thomas D. Meade, Hancock, Michigan; Davis Goddard, Orange, Mass.; Jonah F. Holmes, Yoloida, Kansas.

S. M. Keene, of Maine, First Lieutenant in the revenue marine service, and the following to be Second Lieutenants in that service: Warrington D. Booth, of Connecticut; Alfred Ames, of Massachusetts; Aaron D. Littlefield, of Massachusetts; and the following to be Third Lieutenants: M. N. Graham, of Maine; John Maxicey, of Massachusetts; William F. Overton, of Massachusetts; Jas. M. Grant Woodward, of Massachusetts; Albert Buhlmann, of South Carolina.

TROOPS TO ARREST KUKLUX IN ALABAMA.

General R. W. HEALY, United States Marshal at Montgomery, Ala., has applied to Attorney-General WILLIAMS for troops to aid him in arresting parties indicted at the late term of the United States District Court, held at Montgomery, for Kuklux outrages committed in Coosa, Tallapoosa, Clay, Randolph, and Russell counties. The Attorney-General recommended to the Secretary of War that the necessary troops be furnished.

THE ARMS INVESTIGATION.

Rage of the Conspirators over the Senate's Course—Organization of the Senate Committee—Mr. Bentwell Before the House Committee.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The selection of the Senate Committee on the arms investigation yesterday has so maddened the newspaper slanderers of the Senate, that they have begotten an unusually big brood of malicious falsehoods. The thing that enraged them most was the exceeding fairness of the whole proceeding. For the first time in nearly ten years a committee was selected, not only without caucus dictation, but without conference or concert of any kind. Every member voted as he pleased, and protected his vote by the secret ballot. It is therefore simply impudent to take any member to task for his vote, when no one knows how he voted unless the member will tell. Mr. SCHURZ was simply in the attitude of a candidate for membership of the Committee, but failed for want of a sufficient number of votes. That is the consequence of his unfair and malignant course, and not the fault of his brother Senators. He got more votes this way than he would have secured in any other, yet less than one-third of the Senate voted for him. The thing that makes the dirt-flingers so very mad is that kicking against this fair proceeding hurts their own shins.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The Senate Select Committee on the Sale of Arms organized today, and will to-morrow proceed to the examination of Secretary BELKNAP and Gen. DYER, Chief of Ordnance. REMINGTON and others will be examined. The Committee express their determination to make a full and thorough investigation.

Secretary BOUTWELL appeared today before the House Committee on Expenditures in the War Department, and testified as to the amount received into the Treasury for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1871, from the sales of arms and ordnance stores. He gave the amount at $8,280,020 16. The difference between that sum and the amount returned by the Chief of Ordnance as having been received from those sales, ($6,300,073 72) he accounted for by explaining that the balance was not carried into the Treasury during the last fiscal year, but was paid in since then, even in excess of the sum returned; but it would be necessary to analyze the various accounts carefully, to trace up the figures, and to separate the sums paid in on account of sales in the last fiscal year from those paid in on account of subsequent sales.

THE JAPANESE IN CONGRESS.

Visit to the House of Representatives—Speeches of the Speaker and the Chief Ambassador.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Long before 11 o'clock this morning the galleries of the House of Representatives, with the exception of the South-east, the Diplomatic and the Reporters' Galleries, were densely crowded with spectators. Hundreds were unable to obtain admittance. The South-east Gallery, known as the Ladies' Gallery, was reserved for the families of the President, Vice-President, members of the Cabinet, Senators and members of the House, and the Diplomatic Corps exclusively. Several of the gentlemen connected with the latter were present with ladies. The Speaker called the House to order at 11 o'clock, when, on motion of Mr. COX, ladies who had been unable to obtain seats in the galleries were admitted to the floor in the rear of the members' seats. The visitors were announced at the main door, when they came into the hall escorted by Gen. BANKS and other members of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, accompanied by Mr. MORI, Minister DE LONG and Consul BROOKS. The Ambassadors occupied the centre of the group. The other Japanese were arranged in the outer line immediately in their rear. Gen. BANKS addressed the Speaker as follows:

The Ambassadors of the House of Representatives, assigned to that duty according to the instructions, now have the honor to present to you and to the House, IWAKURA, and their Excellencies KIDO, OKUBO and ITO, Ambassadors-in-Chief and Assistant Ambassadors of the Government of Japan, the Commissioners of the Empire, and the Executive Commissioners of the principal departments of Japan, with their attaches.

The Speaker addressed the distinguished visitors as follows:

YOUR EXCELLENCIES: On behalf of the House of Representatives, I welcome your Imperial Embassy to this hall. The reception which is thus extended to you is unanimously and so cordially by the members of this body is significant of the kindly feeling which our whole people feel for the friendly relations between the Japanese Empire and the American Republic. The course of migration for the human race has for many centuries been steadily one from Orient to Occident, marked by conquest and by other by racing. Reaching the boundary of our continent, we encountered a returning tide from your country adding eastward, seeking not the trophies of war but the more shining victories of peace, and these two currents of population appropriately meet and mingle on the shores of the great Pacific sea. It will be my pleasure to present to you personally the representatives of the people, and I beg in advance you, for them, and for myself, that during your stay at our capital you will be at all times welcome to the privileges and courtesies of the floor.

CHARADE, IWAKURA, taking a manuscript from his pocket, proceeded to read a response in his own language. After he had finished, Gen. BANKS read a translation of the document, and asked that it might be transcribed on the House journal. It is as follows:

MR. SPEAKER AND HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES: On behalf of the Ambassadors of Japan, our Sovereign, and the people whom we represent, we tender to you our sincere thanks and warmest friendship. We fully appreciate the distinguished honor which places us first in the House of Representatives of the nation which rules the great American Republic. Sovereignty is strong when built upon the hearts of an enlightened people. We come for enlightenment and glad is our heart. Journeying eastward from the empire of the setting sun toward the rising, we daily behold a new country beyond the one we before enjoyed. New knowledge rises daily before us, and when the journey upon which we shall have passed in review of an entire globe, we shall gather together our treasures of knowledge, remembering that however we have advanced toward the sources of light, each succeeding move has revealed a further step beyond. The Government of Japan already appreciates the value of an enlightened policy toward other nations, but our united appearance on our return will confirm to our people at large the friendliness of feeling so frequently expressed heretofore and now so generously exhibited to the Embassy. In the future an extended commerce will unite our national interests in a thousand forms, as drops of water commingle flowing from our several rivers to that common ocean that divides our countries. Let us express the hope that our national friendship may be as difficult to sunder or estrange as to divide the once blended drops composing our common Pacific Ocean.

The address was received with applause by the immense audience. It was then directed that introductions be proceeded with. Gen. BANKS and several other gentlemen assisted in this ceremony, Vice-President COLFAX and the members of the House passing along the line for that purpose. Representative DAWES, in behalf of the members of the House, privately expressed the gratification with which he had listened to the speech of IWAKURA, which communication evidently pleased the distinguished visitors, who retired after half an hour's presence in the Hall—the members standing, meanwhile, and the audience applauding. After passing from the House, the Japanese repaired to the Senate Chamber, and remained there several minutes during the reading of the journal. They came and left without ceremony.

THE NEW-JERSEY LEGISLATURE.

The Local Option Sensation—Agricultural Bonds—The Bergen Tunnel—Miscellaneous.

From Our Own Correspondent.

TRENTON, Wednesday, March 6, 1872.

The local option movement has encountered an unexpected set-back in the form of a petition signed by over 400 voters of the township of Chatham, in Morris County, asking the repeal of the Prohibitory law in that township so far as to allow of the licensing of two taverns. It has been persistently insisted that the entire population of the town are in favor of maintaining the law, and the appearance of this petition, signed by more than one-half the legal voters, has very naturally produced a great deal of commotion. A bill to meet the wishes of the petitioners has been introduced, and will, it is believed, be passed by a decided vote. The Attorney-General has not yet given his opinion as to the constitutionality of the General Local Option act, and will not do so until the Temperance Alliance have indicated their wishes on the matter.

In the Senate today a message was received from the Governor, inclosing a report from Prof. GEORGE H. COOK, State Geologist, of the proceedings of the National Convention of Agriculture, recently held in Washington. Prof. COOK calls attention to the resolution of the Convention in favor of State Boards of Agriculture, and recommends the establishment of such a Board in New-Jersey. He says: "We have more than $250,000,000 of capital invested in farm lands and buildings, $21,000,000 in live stock, and an annual production from the farms of nearly $45,000,000."

In the House, the Special Committee on the Bergen Tunnel has reported that, after an investigation, they had found no ground for legislative interference with the management of the tunnel. At the hearing before the Committee, some time since, all the companies now using the tunnel expressed themselves, by their representatives, entirely satisfied with the present arrangements, and there was consequently no other conclusion possible than that arrived at.

In the Senate today, the bill providing for a Law Judge in Hunterdon County was lost. The supplement to the Bribery law, extending its provisions to primary meetings and Presidential elections, was passed.

There was an animated discussion in the House, this evening, over the introduction of a joint resolution declaring valid a certain act relative to the German Valley Railroad, which passed both Houses last year, but failed to receive the approval of the Governor. The Speaker declared the resolution to be of a private nature, and as therefore inadmissible, the time for the introduction of private bills having expired. Exception was taken to this ruling, whereupon the Speaker declared the resolution to be a second step in a game of fraud, and designed to take the place of a bill which had been surreptitiously placed upon the calendar, and by him removed. It appeared in the discussion that the bill surreptitiously introduced appeared on the minutes as having been presented by a member who was absent on the day when it was entered. The House sustained the decision of the Speaker—26 to 22.

Division of the Districts of New-Jersey as Advocated by the Republican Party.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

TRENTON, N. J., March 6.—The Republican caucus, to-night, agreed upon the following Congressional Reapportionment bill: First District—Camden, Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland and Cape May Counties; Second District—Atlantic, Burlington, Ocean and Monmouth; Third District—Mercer, Middlesex and Union; Fourth District—Somerset, Hunterdon, Warren and Sussex; Fifth District—Morris, Passaic and Bergen; Sixth District—Essex; Seventh District—Hudson. This gives three certain Republican districts, two probable Republican and two certain Democratic.

FIRE IN CINCINNATI.

Six River Steamers and Their Cargoes Wholly Destroyed.

CINCINNATI, March 7—1 A.M.—Shortly after midnight a fire broke out among the steamers at the wharf, totally destroying the following, with their cargoes: *Champion, Argosy, St. Charles, Kate Robinson, Major Anderson* and *Abeona*, also seriously damaging the immense New-Orleans wharf-boat, which may yet be destroyed. It is impossible, at this hour, to ascertain the loss, which will be heavy. The fire is still raging, but is not likely to extend beyond the boats mentioned above, as the other threatened boats have been removed by tugs.

CUBA.

The Grand Duke at a Bull-Fight.

HAVANA, March 6.—The Grand Duke ALEXIS attended a grand bull-fight this afternoon given in his honor. The British men-of-war *Rattler* and *Royal Alfred*, Admiral FARSHAWE Commanding, and the United States steamer *Kansas*, are in the harbor.

Departure of the Governor of Louisiana from the Ranks of the Republican Parties.

NEW-ORLEANS, March 6.—The *Times* publishes a long interview with Gov. WARMOTH, in which, after stating he had no intention of making friends with President GRANT, the Governor said: "I intend to support the nominee of the Cincinnati Convention, if Gen. GRANT is nominated at Philadelphia. I am unqualifiedly and determinedly opposed to his re-election as President of the United States." His reason for opposing GRANT is that GRANT supported Federal officials in Louisiana in their efforts to destroy the State. Gov. WARMOTH further said: "If, under any circumstances, I consent to become a candidate for re-election, it would only be in the interest, on the Reform platform." A letter has been received from the Chairman of the National Republican Committee recognizing the Republican Committee of which REVERDY PACKARD is Chairman as the only regular Republican organization in Louisiana.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

Defeat of the New-York Ferry Regulation Bill.

The Erie Classification Repeal Bills not yet Reported—Fearful Influences of Gould's Visit—A Bill to Abolish Capital Punishment—Drawing-Room Cars—Why Senator Ward's Case is not Reported—Quick Transit.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Wednesday, March 6, 1872.

Third reading of bills being the regular order in the Assembly today, the whole session was occupied without getting through the list, which numbered over forty. Among the bills that passed were two introduced by Mr. BERRI, abolishing the office of Auditor of Kings County, and "Supervisor at large" of Brooklyn. Mr. JACOBS made a final effort to save the Democrats who hold their sinecure berths, but Mr. BERRI showed that they were useless offices and a needless tax upon the people. Mr. BENEDICT'S bill to regulate GEO. LAW'S ferries was on the list of third readings, but there were so many absentees that the friends of the bill were afraid to take a final vote on it lest it be killed, and so on motion of its author it was laid over until there shall be a fuller attendance. A good deal of corrupt lobbying is alleged to have been done on this bill, and it was expected that there would be a sharp contest this morning on a motion to recommit it to the Standing Committee. The stockholders in the ferries claim that the Bennett bill would be ruinous to their business, while on the other hand friends of the bill say that the Company are declaring about forty per cent. dividends on their bona fide stock, before it underwent the watering process.

ANOTHER HITCH IN ERIE.

The Assembly Railroad Committee, which was to have made a report on the Erie repeal bills, this morning, without fail, announce a further delay of twenty-four hours. The cause of the last hitch in the movement of the Committee is understood to be the Compromise bill proposed by Mr. SMYTHE, the substance of which was sent in last night's dispatch. Some of the provisions of SMYTHE'S compromise have given rise to discussions in the Committee, and another meeting is to be held this evening to try and come to some agreement. It is still hoped by the Chairman and other members of the Committee that a change may be effected which will enable them to report the O'Brien or Southmayd bill. Failing in this, they regard the substitute proposed by Mr. SMYTHE as far preferable to the simple Repeal bill introduced by Mr. HUSTED. Since JAY GOULD'S visit to Albany last week, the Erie Ring is believed to have lost ground in the Legislature, it certainly has not gained in strength either with the Committees or with members generally, and the delay that has occurred in making the report will probably work the ultimate advantage of the stockholders and the ends of public justice. The Judiciary Committee which has charge of the Erie bills in the Senate, will positively report the O'Brien bill—probably to-morrow. Two members of the Committee are absent, or it would have been reported today.

THE SEVENTY'S CHARTER.

The hearing of the opponents of the charter of the Committee of Seventy is to commence at 4½ P. M. today before the Senate Committee on Cities, and will be continued to-morrow at the same hour. Mr. PALMER, the Chairman of the Committee, received a telegram today from Ex-Mayor OPDYKE and H. L. CLINTON, both of whom wish to speak against the charter, but say they are unable to be present today. The opponents of the charter claim that they have had no opportunity to be heard before the Committee of either House, and, although the Senate Committee are anxious to have the charter question disposed of as soon as possible, they do not feel warranted in refusing the request of its opponents for a fair hearing. Among the enemies of the charter now here are Commissioner Van Nort, Jas. W. Booth, Jas. W. Farr, Alderman Conover, Hon. Thos. E. Stewart, Michael Farrell, Charles S. Spencer, William Lambier, Ex-Aldermen Coman and Woltman and others. The Committee of Seventy are represented by Mr. WHEELER. They have already expressed their views fully, and do not propose to continue the discussion. The Senate Committee may make some minor amendments, but there is no probability of their adopting any changes by which present officials in New-York will be retained in power. If the Democrats choose to oppose a charter that throws all power back into the hands of the people, they must take the responsibility. The Republicans array themselves on the side of the Reformers, and give the people all they ask, and if a Democratic Governor vetoes their action, they will then feel at liberty to frame a charter in the interest of the Republican Party as well as reform.

RETURN OF THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER.

TOM FIELDS appeared in his seat this morning for the first time since the delivery of his master piece of eloquence against the Seventy's Charter, wherein he laid down the programme of the reorganized Democratic Party and established his claim to its leadership. He is said to have been busy in New-York during the past week reuniting and consolidating the scattered tribes of Tammany and bringing them into fellowship with the Apollo Hall and Reform Democracy preparatory to the coming Municipal campaign. Mr. TILDEN has also been absent from his seat since that eventful night when he, with his fellow Democrats, was captivated by the eloquence of the illustrious TOM, and humbly followed his lead in voting against the Reform Charter. He has not yet returned, but as he has been so seldom in his seat during the session, his absence is not missed. As long as the shining face of the new leader of the party illuminates the Chamber, the Democratic side of the House is contented and happy.

A "SURPRISE" ALL ROUND.

The Committee on Commerce and Navigation expresses surprise at the following paragraph in the Associated Press dispatches of yesterday:

"The Committee on Commerce and Navigation agreed this evening to report in favor of the bill allowing the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company to reduce its capital stock. Considerable surprise is manifested at this action, as the matter is regarded in some quarters as being merely a stock-jobbing operation, wherein the insiders will control the funds of the Company for purposes of private speculation."

The bill referred to was a bill to enable the Pacific Mail Company to reduce their capital stock from twenty millions to ten millions, and to enable a director of the Company to reside out of the State, the reason for the reduction being that half of the business of the Company has been destroyed by the overland railroad. The need of a non-resident director of the Company is apparent from the fact that the main business of the Company is now on the Pacific Coast and in China. When the bill was introduced, the "sixteenth" thought they saw in it a field for their peculiar enterprise, and they have worked it diligently ever since. They first got up an "investigation" based on a bogus memorial from one LATHAM, of Williamsburg, which turned out to be a trick in the interest of stock-jobbers. After the exposure of this fraud, the only "surprise" has been that the bill was not reported before. I am informed that the only [illegible] in the Committee in reporting the bill was "THE" CAMPBELL.

SAFETY-FUSE.

In the Senate the morning's bill was introduced by Senator ROBERTSON to abolish capital punishment. It is a short bill, and merely provides that any person convicted of a crime now punishable with death shall be confined in the State Prison for life. It makes no provision against the exercise of the pardoning power in such cases. The bill is tentative only, and is probably put forward to elicit the feeling of the Senate on the subject. Should there be any encouragement to follow it up it would be elaborated and perfected in this and other respects.

PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Senator TIEMANN introduced a bill to abolish the office of Regents of the University, and vest all their powers in the Superintendent of Public Instruction, except that the Superintendent shall not confer degrees nor legalize literary corporations. The trustees of of the State Capitol are to succeed to the duties of Trustees of the State Library and to the care of the State Cabinet of Natural History.

CRIMINAL COURTS IN NEW-YORK CITY.

Mr. BENEDICT introduced a bill authorizing the Superior Court Justices, elected last Fall, to appoint ten Police Justices in said City at a salary of $2,000 each. The terms of office of the present Police Justices shall expire twenty days after the passage of the bill.

AN ERIE BILL.

A bill, said to be in the interest of the present Erie management, was introduced by Senator HARROWER. It authorizes the Blossburgh Coal Company, a Pennsylvania corporation, to exercise all the rights of a corporation in this State.

THE DRAWING-ROOM CAR JOB AGAIN.

The bill introduced in January to permit the Third-avenue Railroad Company to contract with their President, ROBT. SQUIRES, to run drawing-room cars having been so roughly handled when before the Committee of the Whole as to leave no hope of its success, has accordingly been abandoned, and today Mr. BENEDICT introduced a general bill empowering all the street railroads in New-York and Brooklyn to run such cars. The conditions are somewhat changed in the new bill. The extra charge is limited to five cents, and no passenger is to be allowed on the car beyond the number who can be accommodated with seats without the consent of such other passengers. How the vote is to be taken on the consent expressed, the bill does not say.

A VETO.

The Governor yesterday returned to the Assembly the bill to abolish the Board of Auditors of the town of Lenox. The following is the text of the veto:

TO THE ASSEMBLY: Transmit, without my approval, Assembly Bill No. 514, entitled "An act authorizing the election of a Board of Auditors for the town of Lenox, Madison County, and empowering other towns to avail themselves of the provisions of this act."

The bill proposes to create, in the town of Lenox only, a board of three persons, in addition to the regular town officers now provided by the general law; to which, in this one town only, the Board of Town Auditors which, by the existing law, is made up in all towns, of the Supervisor, the Justices of the Peace and the Town Clerk, and to devolve all the powers and duties upon the new Board of Auditors thus created. This Supervisor is to be elected in the same manner, and by the same constituency, as are the members of the present Auditing Board, to wit, by the people at their annual town meeting. It is manifest that the objectionable feature of this change is the power and duties of town officers and in the number of them, necessary or expedient in our town governments generally, otherwise it would have been made a general law, applicable to all the towns in the State. It is the general judgment of those conversant with such matters, so far as I can gather it, that this duty of auditing town accounts is now performed by the Supervisors, Justices and Town Clerks of the town with fidelity and faithfully as any public duty in the State. This bill must have been passed with reference to some temporary abuse in Lenox, supposed or real, in the one town. Against such a case the people have in their own hands an effectual remedy now, by choosing fresh men to office. The Board of Town Auditors consists of the Supervisor, the four Justices of the Peace and Town Clerk, six in all; at every town meeting the people have past control of office the Town Clerk and one Justice of the Peace, being one-half the Board. There are a few instances in which towns are authorized to have more than four Justices of the Peace, but in no case do the Justices, or any other ex-officio members of the Board of Town Auditors can be dismissed by the people at every town meeting, except those among the Justices of the Peace whose terms of office may not terminate with the Open can meeting. If the power of Town Auditors, which this bill seeks to remedy, be in improper auditing by the last-named class of officers, of their own bills, a remedy is provided in chapter 174 of the laws of 1870, which authorizes any six-payer to appeal from the Board of Town Auditors to the Board of Supervisors of the county in respect to the audits of any bill of a Justice of the Peace.

It seems to me, therefore, that the special legislation proposed by this bill, making an alteration of the form of government of this one town, which the Legislature is, obviously, unwilling should be made in the other towns of the State, is unnecessary and unwise. One section of the bill authorizes the electors of any town in the State to make the proposed law applicable to their own town, by a vote at town meeting. This provision appears to me to be unconstitutional under the decisions of the Court of Appeals in the case of Barto vs. Himrod, 8 New-York Reports, page 483. Even if this were not so, the adoption of the provisions of the bill by some towns, and not by others, would create a diversity in the forms of town government which is undesirable. It is the interest of the people that there should be uniformity in the town governments, to the end that the rights and duties of the people and of their officers may be readily and clearly understood from place to place.

The bill is special legislation, establishing a special form of government in one town, and is objectionable, in my judgment, for that reason. I feel confident the Legislature will, on reconsideration, take the same view of it.

[Tabled.] JOHN T. HOFFMAN.

The Ferry Bill Defeat—Gogebic of the Charter—Quick Transit.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, March 6.—The Assembly held a session of an hour and a half this evening, and then adjourned to attend the annual reception of the Albany Club, an entertainment that no member of the Legislature ever misses under any circumstances. The session was devoted to third reading of bills, and among the slaughtered innocents was the bill to regulate GEO. LAW'S Brooklyn ferries, which was defeated by a vote of 58 to 36.

THE CHARTER.

The hearing of the Seventy's Charter before the Senate Committee on Cities was rather a slim affair. Senator SIMON, Gov. SOLOMON, JOSEPH BLUMENTHAL and JOHN WHEELER, of the Seventy, were among the listeners, and say they heard nothing deserving of a reply. The hearing will be resumed to-morrow, when Judge WATERBURY, of the Democratic Union, is expected, among others, to speak his mind.

UNDERGROUND QUICK TRANSIT.

The Joint Railroad Committee held a meeting this afternoon, and agreed, by a vote of 6 to 5, to report the Beach pneumatic scheme of quick transit underground. This is regarded by many as equivalent to killing all underground transit for the present session, as it is not at all likely that Gov. HOFFMAN, who vetoed the Pneumatic bill last year will sign it this, and as it is admitted that no underground railroad is practicable off the line of Broadway. A Subcommittee was appointed to try and combine the two plans represented in the Pneumatic and Central Underground bills, and this may possibly result in a combination that will be satisfactory to all parties. Otherwise, no underground bill is likely to become a law this session. The Committee will probably report Mr. GILBERT'S bill for an atmospheric elevated railway over the Bowery and Third-avenue, as being the most popular and practicable of all the schemes for quick transit above ground. They may also make a favorable report of Stein's three-tier or some other plan for an elevated road on the west side of the City. It is believed, however, that the horse-railway companies will do their best to kill all quick transit schemes before or after they reach the Governor.

BILLS PASSED.

The Assembly today passed the following bills:

Authorizing the Syracuse and Northern Railroad Company to extend their road to Jefferson County; authorizing the Shokan and Springville Railroad Company to change the terminus of their road; authorizing Columbia College, New-York, to take and hold lands not a college site; extending the time for the commencement of the construction of Oswegatchie Railroad to the 1st of March, 1874; amending the act relating to the employes of the Legislature and their salaries, so as to reduce the number of pages, and allows each assemblyman a messenger; for improving and laying out part of Madison-avenue in New-York; amending the act establishing regulations for the port of New-York by prohibiting the throwing of filth, etc., in the vicinity of Newtown Creek; authorizing the laying out of Bergen Street, Brooklyn; authorizing the board of supervisors of Kings County, notwithstanding their resolution to allow repealing the act providing for the trustees of the Brooklyn Hospital, to proceed with the work for rebuilding and repairing Bellevue and piers 15 East River, Brooklyn.

DOUBLE DESIGN OF THE GENERAL SESSIONS.

Mr. MACKAY, in the Assembly, had consent to introduce a bill authorizing a double session of the Court of General Sessions in New-York. The bill was introduced in the Senate today.

BY MAIL AND TELEGRAPH.

Vice-Admiral ROWAN is improving daily.

Rear-Admiral MARCUS H. BEAN has been ordered to the Frolic.

Hon. E. R. BABCOCK, a leading citizen of Westerly, R. I., died yesterday.

Lieut.-Commander A. R. McNAIR has been ordered to the Pontiac.

The cable to Demerara is expected to be in working order by today.

The cable to St. Kitts Island has been repaired.

Lieut. R. C. PENDLETON has been ordered to the Washington Navy-yard.

Assistant-Engineer J. S. OGDEN has been ordered to the New-York Navy-yard.

The Northern Pacific Railroad was yesterday opened to Red River.

The marriage of the Marquis of BUTE will take place on the 16th of April.

Yesterday a fire destroyed four frame dwelling-houses at Cohoes.

The Legislature of Wisconsin will adjourn March 15.

Savannah, Ga., reports an earthquake shock on Friday night last.

The steamer *Missouri*, from New-York, arrived at Havana Wednesday morning.

Four citizens of Crab Orchard Spring, Ky., were fined $2,100 for partially hanging a negro.

On Saturday a party of three men were killed while blasting at the new Empire Ironworks in Trigg County, Ky.

WALTER RORY was killed yesterday on the ice in front of Albany, by the capsizing of an ice-boat.

The safe of the Town Treasurer at Amherst, Mass., was blown open on Monday night, but only $30 were stolen.

The dwelling of a Mr. FITCH, at Pern, Mass., was burned on Monday night, the family barely escaping with their lives.

Master B. S. RICHARDS has been detached from the receiving-ship *New-Hampshire*, and ordered to the *Wyoming*.

The gunnery practice-ship *Constellation* is off Alexandria waiting for the river to be clear of ice before proceeding to the West Indies.

Commander SAMUEL R. FRANKLIN has been detached from the Mare Island Navy-yard, and placed on waiting orders.

MARTIN LE TROUT was convicted, in the Criminal Court of Washington, of keeping a gambling-house.

M. CASIMIER PERIER, late French Minister of the Interior, has refused to accept the Ministry of Finance.

Commander WM. K. MAYO has been ordered to duty as Light-house Inspector in the Seventh District.

The new Baptist Church at Binghamton, which will cost about $100,000 when finished, was dedicated yesterday.

The appointment of Rear-Admiral F. POLO DE BARNABE to the Spanish Embassadorship at Washington, has been decided upon.

The Belgian Chamber of Representatives has decided, by a vote of 53 yeas to 35 nays, to maintain an accredited Minister at the Vatican.

Two of the crew of the brig *Alert*, named WM. SHORTLAND and JOHN SHEFFIELD, were lost on the voyage from Porto Rico to Halifax.

The stage between Milton and San Andreas, Cal., was stopped, Tuesday, by a highwayman, and an empty treasure-box was taken.

Gov. HOLDEN has been tendered by the President the position of Minister to Peru, but he has declined.

The Centennial Commission in session at Philadelphia, yesterday morning considered the question of permanent organization.

The Rhode Island Democratic State Convention will be held in Providence on Wednesday, March 20.

The carpet-yarn mill of the Wilton Manufacturing Company, of Wilton, N. H., was burned yesterday; loss, $75,000.

On the night of the 4th inst. Col. LANHAM, a prominent lawyer of Paris, Tenn., was shot and instantly killed at Henry Station, Tenn.

Information has been received at London of the loss at sea of the French bark *Alix*. Nine persons perished in the wreck.

The New-Hampshire clerks in the Departments in Washington have received ten days' leave of absence to vote at the State election.

FRANK E. POWERS stabbed WILLIAM MACKINTOSH during a quarrel at Boston, Tuesday night. The wound is supposed to be mortal.

The cisterns and wells at Rondout are dried up; there is much inconvenience for want of water.

The United States steamer *Kansas*, with the exploring expedition, sails from Havana for Nicaragua on Monday.

Yesterday the warehouses of the Sandusky and Cincinnati Ice Company were destroyed by fire. Loss $90,000.

Advices from Mexico state that Mazatlan is still held by the rebels. The Federal force sent from Colima have been compelled to retreat to San Blas.

The Michigan Republican State Convention for the selection of delegates to the National Convention, will meet at Jackson on Thursday, the 16th of May.

The shoe and leather interest in this country is asserted to be one-third larger than that of cotton and wool combined, and comes next to agriculture.

Commander CHAS. A. BABCOCK has been detached from duty as Inspector of the Seventh Light-house District, and placed on waiting orders.

Eleven business houses and dwellings at Mason Station, on the Murfreesboro and Louisville Railroad, were destroyed by fire Tuesday. Loss $70,000.

The Maryland Republican State Convention, to nominate delegates to the Philadelphia National Convention, has been called to meet in Baltimore April 24.

JOHNNY DEVIN, alias "the Chicken," convicted at San Francisco of the murder of AUGUST KAMP, has been sentenced to be hanged on the 26th of April.

ALEXANDER MOSELY, editor of the Richmond *Wing*, and JAMES C. SOUTHALL, editor of the *In

MILLER'S DEFENSE.

Examination of Two Conductors of the Times.

Their Opinions of Miller Unchanged—They Decline to Reveal the Names of Informants—Points Not of Questioning.

The investigation by the Legislative Committee of GEORGE W. MILLER'S actions as Superintendent of the Insurance Department was resumed yesterday at Underwriters' Hall, No. 156 Broadway. FRANKLIN W. TOBEY occupied the chair, Mr. BABCOCK also being present. The proceedings began at 11 o'clock. The first witness called was JOHN M. STUART, Secretary of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, who produced and identified the checks paid to GEORGE W. MILLER, one dated May 31, 1870, No. 9,648, on the Bank of New-York, for the sum of $2,500, for the examination of the affairs of the Company in accordance with the revised statutes, 17, chapter 463, the other being for $3,500, dated March 15, 1871, said to have been contributed toward the passage of the Miller Life bill. The former was drawn to the order of GEORGE W. MILLER, and indorsed by him; the other to the order of the Central Life Insurance Company, indorsed, "Pay to the order of GEORGE W. MILLER, R. A. MCCURDY, V. P.," and counter-indorsed by GEO. W. MILLER. These checks were copied and entered on the minutes of the proceedings.

MILLER AND THE TIMES.

GEORGE JONES, publisher of the TIMES, was then called by Mr. MILLER. He testified that the TIMES was a company enterprise, organized in the form of an incorporation under the name of the NEW-YORK TIMES COMPANY; they had not prosecuted any actions since the incorporation: the witness was the general manager of the paper, he managed the establishment generally, and had a general knowledge of the conduct of the paper; with regard to the character of the articles, he generally found time to read them; the witness started the paper twenty-one years ago, and had been connected with it ever since; for the last two years he had occupied the same position with regard to the paper; Mr. JENNINGS is employed on the paper.

Mr. MILLER then produced from the files of the TIMES an article headed "Strikers in a New Field," published Sept. 4, 1871, which he desired Mr. JONES to read, Mr. MILLER reading aloud from a copy which he held in his hand. Stopping at different points of the article, Mr. MILLER asked the witness if he had any knowledge of the information upon which the article had been based, or if he knew any of the parties who had stated the alleged facts alluded to in the article. Mr. JONES replied that he supposed persons belonging to the office had been sent out to gather information from various parties. Mr. MILLER then asked who those persons were, to which question Mr. JONES declined giving any answer; also to any question relative to the manner or mode of doing business in the TIMES Office.

Mr. MILLER—Do you know any party or parties, or can you produce any witness or witnesses, to sustain the allegations contained in the article?

Mr. JONES—Personally I do not know; I do not remember any names in the matter.

The witness then proceeded: He did not know what insurance company was referred to in the article; he personally had no knowledge of the source whence the information was obtained upon which the article was based; he had not conversed with any of the foreign insurance companies or their representatives, and had not seen the report of the Superintendent to the Senate on the subject of the charges against him in the newspapers; might have seen a report of the meeting of insurance men in the Underwriters' Hall, in July last, when he had spoke Mr. MILLER announced that his trip to Europe was of a private, not public character, but he did not recollect it; had no personal knowledge or information of the facts upon which the article in question was based.

Mr. BARNES asked if it was Mr. MILLER'S purpose to try the TIMES. Mr. MILLER replied he had no such purpose in view.

Mr. BARNES contended that the examination of Mr. JONES was on an entirely different subject from that for which the Committee had been appointed to investigate. He wished the examination to be confined to the subject of the resolution under which the Committee was acting, otherwise the investigation would occupy the Summer. The Committee was to investigate whole the conduct of the Insurance Department, not the editorials of the NEW-YORK TIMES. The object of the examination appeared to be to worry and vex the witness, to embarrass him in an action for libel. It matters little who gave the information to the Press. The question to be tried is, are the charges against the Insurance Department true? This course of examination by Mr. MILLER is to stifle the facts, and to strike down the efforts of reform; to dry up the sources of information by persecution. If every newspaper office is to be harried, the Committee will not be able to make their report by the end of the session. He would insist that the inquiry be confined to the strictly legal matters under investigation, and to ascertain whether or not the charges against the Superintendent were true. It would be just as right for an accused person to inquire of the District-Attorney who were the witnesses against him before the Grand Jury, as for this plan of examination to go on. Some examinations are conducted in secret, the accuser only having the privilege to appear and testify under oath. This inquiry had already taken too broad a range.

Mr. MILLER said he did not intend to infringe on the rights and privileges of the witness, but he intended to probe to the bottom this prosecution. He had been charged with almost every infamy, and at the instigation of one man state officers had been suborned and the minds of the people of the State perverted. On the side of the prosecution editors had testified not only as to what they knew but to what they had heard, written, and thought; and when the defense produces one editor, before five minutes have been occupied, an attempt is made to choke off the examination, and the witness is prompted by the man who made the charge from stating what he knows. Mr. BARNES had alluded to the District-Attorney; when Mr. JONES or the NEW-YORK TIMES is the District-Attorney for the people of the State of New-York, he would be ready to concede his point, and not till then. The calumniators of the newspapers are made the basis of the charges which this Committee is called upon to investigate; they are to inquire into all other charges that might be made, and they are to report on the truth or falsity of the charges. He intended to get, if possible, the information whether or not the charges have been prompted by malice, or from a desire to expose what is charged to be an infamy. This Committee commenced the consideration of this question over six weeks ago, and every facility has been given to the other side by the employment of associate counsel or detectives to get and hunt up witnesses, and yet at the very outset an effort is made to choke off the defense; he had no wish to pry into the private affairs of the NEW-YORK TIMES, but it was his intention to inquire whether or not the articles were instigated by malice, and who were the instigators; while it was his intention to "spot" the calumniators, he did not intend to pry into private affairs; he wished to learn by and from what authority those charges had been made, and he would promise not to occupy one-fourth of the time already employed on the other side.

Mr. BARNES said that Mr. MILLER'S remarks had plainly shown that he did not intend to disprove the charges, but to "spot" those who had given the information, and to punish them for furnishing the truth, even to the injury of their private business. The object had been throughout the examination to suppress evidence, and witnesses had been strangely absent from the City; even the sick had suddenly left the City in Winter so that he might get the advantage of their absence; he had gone into the private business of witnesses, so that he might find a weak spot upon which to attack them, and subsequently punish them for daring to appear on the witness stand. If he had any evidence, let it be brought forward. He had all along seemed to labor under the hallucination that whoever gave information was guilty of crime. What difference did it make who gave the information, providing the information was true. If every article that had appeared in the NEW-YORK TIMES was to be the subject of inquiry, line by line, he wanted to know when this examination would be finished. Who wrote the articles was a matter of no consequence in this investigation, the question before them was, Are the facts stated therein true?

Mr. TOBEY thought the discussion had gone far enough; he believed Mr. JONES knew how to take care of himself, and if the questions had the tendency to tread on the private matters of the TIMES Office, he could refuse to answer them.

Mr. MILLER then asked if Mr. JONES would furnish a witness or witnesses to substantiate the charges made in the article, that he had acted corruptly with foreign companies, and that he went abroad for the purpose of investigating the affairs of foreign companies. Mr. JONES said he could furnish no witnesses, and as far as the European trip was concerned, he did not personally know that Mr. MILLER ever went to Europe.

Mr. MILLER then asked if the witness remembered an article headed "Raising the Wind," published October 16, 1871, in which it was alleged that he, MILLER, had black-mailed insurance companies. Mr. JONES said he remembered it in a general way.

The article was then read from the file.

The witness said he was not personally aware of any collection made by Mr. MILLER. He added, that it must be understood by Mr. MILLER that all the information collected in a newspaper office could not possibly pass through the witnesses' hands.

Mr. MILLER then alluded to the word "black-mail," and asked Mr. JONES if he could give the name of the writer of the article, or of any person who could prove the facts as alleged. The witness declined giving any information relative to the management of the paper.

Mr. MILLER then asked if the TIMES had not, during the early part of the year, approved of his acts, and on the very subject upon which it had after-ward condemned him?

Mr. JONES said it might have been. The TIMES generally approves of the acts of honest office-holders while so, and condemns those who are dishonest.

Mr. MILLER—Do you require, as a general rule, reliable information before attacking the public or private character of any person?

Mr. JONES—I decline answering insulting questions.

Mr. MILLER said he did not think the question insulting, and repeated it; but Mr. JONES again declined, and for the same reason.

The witness said he did not know that the expenses of the Insurance Convention had been borne voluntarily by the companies, nor did he know what had been testified to before the present Committee.

Mr. MILLER asked if the TIMES had promised to furnish witnesses to prove the allegations, would it do so?

Mr. JONES said he had before answered the question, and declined to give any names of persons connected with any articles published in the TIMES.

Mr. MILLER then produced an article published in the TIMES of Oct. 18, 1871, in which it was said that the TIMES "would make good all it had said about MILLER."

Mr. JONES did not know how Mr. MILLER might construe the article.

Mr. MILLER wished to know in what way the TIMES would make good what had been said about his course with regard to the Legislature, about the Insurance Convention, or his going to Europe, except by producing witnesses.

Mr. JONES said that personally he knew nothing of his going to Europe.

Mr. MILLER—Will you give the name of any witness or witnesses to substantiate the article in question?

Mr. JONES—I do not propose to furnish witnesses at all.

Mr. BARNES, reading a portion of the editorial article of yesterday morning, headed "Superintendent MILLER'S sins of Omission," asked the witness who wrote the article. Mr. JONES declined to answer. He then asked if Mr. BARNES wrote the article, and received the same answer.

Mr. MILLER then showed the witness an article published in the TIMES of Jan. 12, 1871, headed "Another Life Insurance Bubble," and another of Jan. 9, both of which, he said, spoke favorably of his course with regard to the Great Western Insurance Company, and asked if he remembered them? Mr. JONES said it was impossible to remember all the articles published in the paper; the articles seemed to meet with his approval. Two other articles of a similar character were shown to the witness.

Mr. MILLER—Were you aware of these articles when the policy of the paper was changed with regard to me? Mr. JONES said he doubtless was aware of them. To the inquiry whether or not Mr. STEPHEN ENGLISH was engaged on the TIMES, the witness replied that he did not choose to answer any question as to who was or was not on the TIMES staff, or in the office. He did not know Mr. ENGLISH by sight, and had had no conversation with him, to his knowledge, on this or any other subject.

Mr. MILLER said he only desired to show Mr. JONES that he had been imposed upon.

Mr. BARNES said that was the way Mr. MILLER acted in the interest of the Commission. He only wanted to show that Mr. JONES had been imposed upon. This had no pertinency with the question; nor had the motives which had instigated the investigation. The subject was, are the charges against the Insurance Department true or false? As to the motives, the proof will show the motives, and as to their purity, that can be left to the calm judgment of insurance companies, when relieved from the duress under which they are now laboring, and to that of the people of this great State.

An article headed "Miller's Perquisites," published in the TIMES on Dec. 28, 1871, was then shown the witness by Mr. MILLER, who asked if Mr. BARNES was the author. He had prepared the insertion in the paper. Mr. JONES declined answering both questions.

Mr. BABCOCK thought a few general questions would cover the whole ground without going so minutely into particulars.

Mr. MILLER did not wish to be checked off in his inquiries, and promised if not interfered with not to occupy one-day in five that had been taken up by the other side. He was permitted to go on with his questions.

Q.—When this article was published were you aware that the late Attorney-General had ruled that under the section of the act, the fees for the transfer of securities were the property of the Superintendent? Mr. JONES—I know nothing about it.

Q.—If JOHN H. REYNOLDS, of Albany, had decided that the fee of one-fifth of one per cent. for the transfer of securities was the property of the Superintendent, would you think that good authority? A.—I should think so.

Mr. MILLER—I will, therefore, offer that opinion in evidence. The following is his letter:

ALBANY, Jan. 18, 1872.

Hon. Geo. W. Miller, Superintendent of Insurance Department:

MY DEAR SIR: I have examined the question, and am of opinion that the Superintendent of the Insurance Department, on the transfer of securities, has the legal right to receive from the company making the transfer, and retain the one-fifth of one per cent. on the amount transferred, and provided for by chapter 463 of the laws of 1870, page 1091. You certainly have the right to receive it, and I see no provision of law requiring it to be paid into the State Treasury, and I conclude it was intended for the benefit of the Superintendent, by way of a contingent increase of salary. The seventh section of the "act to establish an Insurance Department," chapter 463, of the Laws of 1859, provides for the payment of certain fees by insurance companies "toward the expenses of executing this act," which do not embrace any percentage payable on the transfer of securities. If there provides that in case the receipts of the Department shall exceed the amount of "fees collected under this act and paid into the State Treasury," the excess shall be annually assessed by the Superintendent pro rata upon all stock offices, and collected by the Superintendent and paid into the State Treasury. In 1870 the provision before referred to was made for the payment of the Superintendent, by one-fifth of one per cent. on the transfer of securities, but it is not required to be paid into the State Treasury. In 1871, (chapter 709 of the Laws of 1871, page 1,536,) the seventh section of the act of 1859 was amended, and provided for the collection of additional and specific fees, to be paid into the State Treasury, (but the one-fifth of one per cent. allowed by the act of 1870 is not included,) and then, if the expenses of the Department exceed the fees thus collected and paid into the Treasury, the Superintendent must make a pro rata assessment upon all the insurance companies of the State to make up the deficiency, and pay the amount into the State Treasury.

It appears, therefore, very clear that it was not intended by the Legislature that the one-fifth of one per cent. should be paid into the State Treasury, or at least no such intention is expressed.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN H. REYNOLDS.

Mr. MILLER—Do you know what is intended in the articles by the expression, "Tammany Democrats?"

Mr. BARNES thought witnesses should not be summoned to supply definitions. The question was repeated. The witness replied that it was a designation of a political party, and had a general application to the whole State; it was, of course, the name applied to a local organization, but its influence was as wide as the whole State.

Mr. MILLER—Do you not know that I have never resided in this City, and am not a member of the Tammany organization? A.—I never saw you before this morning.

Q.—I know you were convinced that incorrect charges had been made against a public man, would you not correct them? A.—If the charges against any man were proved to be wrong, we should take them back.

Q.—I am very sorry you have not watched the course of this investigation? A.—We have not come to that conclusion yet with regard to Mr. MILLER.

Mr. MILLER said that the Committee had been satisfied so far as his conduct at the Insurance Convention and his trip to Europe were concerned, and he had not seen that the TIMES had taken that back.

Q.—Did you send a man to Rochester to hunt up evidence against my private character? A.—Very likely a man was sent to Rochester to find out who you were.

Q.—And the result was the publication of a list of judgments against me? A.—I do not remember.

Q.—The list has been twice published? A.—Very possibly; I know nothing about it.

A slip cut from a paper was shown the witness, who said it looked like the TIMES type.

Q.—Do you know the first of N. E. & G. W. MILLER? A.—No.

Mr. BARNES then objected to any further examination on that subject, and Mr. MILLER yielded.

Q.—Were you aware, when you published the articles referred to, approving of BARNES' conduct in office and denouncing me, that the *Insurance Times* published an article approving of my course of action? A.—I do not remember reading the *Insurance Times* at all.

Q.—You do not exchange with it? A.—Possibly we do; but out of fifteen hundred exchanges, how is it possible for me to remember a particular one?

Mr. BARNES objected, as the question appear to have no purport.

Mr. TOBEY thought Mr. JONES able to take care of himself.

Mr. MILLER thought they were going on very well; Mr. JONES and he would not quarrel.

Mr. JONES—Not without you commence it yourself. [Laughter.]

In reply to several questions from Mr. MILLER, Mr. JONES said he had no recollection of conversations with STEPHEN ENGLISH, he knew him, and did not think Mr. BARNES ever spoke to him about the articles in question.

Q.—Have you not spoken about the insurance companies presenting my wife with $25,000 worth of jewelry, and to my disadvantage? A.—I have never conversed with any one on the subject of $25,000 worth of jewelry.

Q.—Did you not endeavor to find out from your reporter in Albany the name of the person who furnished the information for the article of Jan. 12? A.—I do not know that I did.

Q.—Did you not send a man to Albany to hunt up evidence of the reported purchase of certain jewelry by Mr. MILLER? A.—I never heard anything about it.

Q.—Do you know the motive for the articles in the TIMES? A.—None but public motives; there could be no possible motives against Mr. MILLER personally.

A recess was then called for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After the recess the only witness examined was L. J. JENNINGS, who stated as follows in answer to questions by Mr. MILLER:

Q.—Where do you reside, Mr. JENNINGS? A.—I reside in New-York.

Q.—Are you connected with the NEW-YORK TIMES? A.—I am.

Q.—In responsible office? A.—I am one of the editors of the paper.

Q.—How long have you occupied that position? A.—I have been on the TIMES nearly eleven years.

Q.—Ever since you came to this country, or thereabouts? A.—Yes, altogether since this last time; I first came here seven years ago, but since the last time I have remained on this paper steadily.

Q.—You were formerly connected with it? A.—No, not in a regular way; but I had written for the paper previously.

Q.—Your last connection with the paper commenced about three years ago? A.—About three years ago.

CHAIRMAN—As these articles have been already proved by Mr. JONES to have been in the paper, I will simply call this witness' attention to them.

Q.—Were you in the City and actively engaged on the paper during the Winter of 1870-71? A.—I was.

Q.—Did you have any special insurance editor during that time? A.—We had not.

Q.—Have you now? A.—We have not.

Q.—Have you had for the past year? A.—No.

Q.—Do the articles on insurance pass under your special supervision? A.—Yes, I may say almost all of them do.

Q.—There was an article published in the paper on the 4th of September last, headed "Strikers in a New Field;" do you recognize it, and was it an editorial? A.—Yes, it was.

Mr. MILLER then read an extract commencing:

"Among the mass of corrupt and foolish legislation engineered through the Legislature last Winter was one allowing the Superintendent of Insurance to make an examination of foreign companies, and on the strength of this, the Superintendent has traveled to Europe with his family, &c., &c."

Q.—Have you any personal knowledge with regard to the passing of that act? A.—No; I have no personal knowledge, and it will probably save a good deal of time if I tell you that I have no personal knowledge of anything regarding insurance; the subject had been inquired into by persons who were more intimately acquainted with it, and whom we considered trustworthy; having made their inquiries, they were allowed to write about the matter; that is the extent of the information I possess about it.

Q.—Did you receive information on the subject of the passing of this law from any insurance officer? A.—I prefer to think it shall not be published to the world.

Q.—Do you not think it is essential to prove the truth of your charges? A.—I do not know; I am not a witness

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS—THIS DAY.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.—IN ADMIRALTY.—Hold by Blatchford, J.—Pt. Crow vs. Cunningham; 98, Mott et al. vs. Smith, owner, etc. Schooner vs. Phoenix Steamer; 127, Hyde et al. vs. Propeller Kingston; 128, Same vs. Same; 129, Same vs. Same; 130, Lighterage Company vs. Steamer Jas. A. Corning; 132, Wilson et al. vs. Bennett; 133, Same vs. Same; 137, Mentz et al. vs. Steamship Nassau Bell.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.—Hold by Barnard, J.—Motions: 1, Hoffman vs. Hall; 2, Hoffman vs. Hall; 3, Hoffman vs. Hall; 4, Hoffman vs. Hall; 5, Hoffman vs. Hall; 6, Hoffman vs. Hall; 7, Hoffman vs. Hall; 8, Hoffman vs. Hall; 9, Hoffman vs. Hall; 10, Hoffman vs. Hall;

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1873.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

BERGH'S GARDEN.—LA BELLE SAUVAGE.—Mrs. John Wood and Mr. Mark Smith.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—THE VETERAN.—Mr. Lester Wallack, Miss Ella Gerard.

ST. JAMES' THEATRE.—MARRIAGE.—Mr. Mario and Miss Grisworld.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.—JULIUS CÆSAR.—Mr. Edwin Booth and Mr. William Creswick.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.—DIVORCE.—Charleton by company.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—HUMPTY DUMPTY.—Mr. G. L. Fox and Kinsley troupe.

UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.—VARIETY PERFORMANCE.

WOOD'S MUSEUM.—DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE AND CURIOSITIES.—Afternoon and Evening.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.—EQUESTRIAN, GYMNASTIC AND ATHLETIC FEATS.

BRYANT'S OPERA-HOUSE.—NEGRO MINSTRELSY—FARCES.

ROBINSON'S HALL.—LA MAISON SANS ENFANTS.—Mlle. Anna Cayo.

COLLEGIATE CHURCH.—LECTURE by Rev. Dr. J. T. Duryea. Subject—"How to Read."

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As was anticipated, Senator HAMLIN was chosen Chairman of the Senate Arms Investigating Committee. This is an eminently proper selection. During the long public career of this gentleman, no one has ever been found to throw an aspersion upon his fairness and honesty. We perceive that the *Tribune* is flattering itself that this will be "a sham committee," and that the investigation will be a "quiet family affair, warranted to do no mischief." Doubtless, from the manner in which the men, who began by clamoring for this investigation, have since crept away from every charge on which the clamor was based, this view of the Committee's work is a forlorn attempt at whistling to keep their courage up. But it will not do. The Committee will get at the truth, and the *Tribune* men are assuring themselves too early that nobody will be harmed.

Last month the Republicans of Buffalo elected their entire city ticket by a sweeping majority of 2,500. This result was at the time attributed in a great degree to the disgust of the independent voters at the outrages of Democratic rule which the city had suffered. The local elections throughout the State on Tuesday of this week prove that the "disease" is becoming general. The Republicans have achieved unprecedented triumps in Elmira, Rochester, Ithaca, Cohoes, Utica, Newburg, Poughkeepsie, and indeed throughout the State. Thus the people pronounce, in tones loud and unmistakable, that the Republican Party is to march forward to renewed success, in spite of the screeheads and malcontents. The only effect of the defection of leading organs, and disappointed political schemers, seems to be to consolidate the people in a determined effort to sustain an honest and successful Administration, and maintain the continued ascendency of the party of progress.

An example has at last been made of a dealer in obscene publications. Solomon J. Bannon was yesterday sentenced by Judge Benedict to pay $500 fine, and to suffer imprisonment for one year for sending filthy literature through the mails, advertising it in public schools, &c. How that one of these scoundrels has been set at it is not [illegible] Circuit Court [illegible] and professional [illegible] who use the mail for [illegible] pamphlets?

Mayor HALL's anxiety to have a speedy trial was exhibited during the past two days, in noticing every attempt to have the character and contents of some of the stolen vouchers fairly placed before the jury. We are promised another long discussion today relating to the legal distinction between secondary and primary evidence, and other matters legally pertinent to the issue before the Court, and to the defense of a man sublimely conscious of his own innocence.

The new number of *Harper's Weekly* contains three splendid examples of the incisive power of the pencil of THOMAS NAST. The Senatorial cabal are represented in one as trying the power of a concentrated blast emanating from cheeks distended almost to cracking, against the unmoved and unconcerned compeant of the very solid-looking Executive chair. The united blowing of half a dozen very recognizable Senators, headed by SCHURZ and SUMNER, is seen to be quite incapable of disturbing even the circling current of a placidly-puffed cigar. The reason will be found on the pedestal occupied by the President, which bears as an inscription a telling and memorable passage from the Message sent to Congress on the 4th December last. Another cartoon represents the Senatorial six in the character of the conspirators in "Julius Cæsar," about to win over (in the garden scene) the editor of the *Tribune*, who, for this occasion only, appears as the modern *Brutus*, with a capacious pocket stuffed with the unpublished treatise, *What I know about bolting*. Even those who question Mr. GREELEY's right to figure as "the noblest Roman of them all," will admit the point and power of the delineation. A worthy companion to these sketches will be found in the tail-piece, representing Police Commissioner HANK SMITH in his very successful part of "the guardian angel of the poor people's money," accompanied by the pertinent query, "Does it take a thief to catch a thief?"

The Two Conventions.

The real character of the movement in which the Cincinnati Convention is to aid cannot be better shown than by pointing out some of the differences between that and the Republican National Convention. The meeting proposed at Cincinnati will not, in the first place, be a convention at all, in the sense in which that word is ordinarily used in politics. That is, it is not an assembly of delegates, representing definite constituencies, and having each his fixed representative character. It is simply a prearranged caucus of all who choose to join it. The Philadelphia Convention, on the other hand, is the opposite of this. Its members will be chosen by substantially uniform methods, and will represent in fact, as well as in name, the great mass of Republican voters throughout the country. It is the fashion in certain quarters to sneer at party machinery—and doubtless it works great injustice, and scandals hard to be borne at times. But we presume it will not be denied that a delegate elected by party machinery to take part in the selection of a candidate or a definition of principles, is at least entitled to more respect than one who is not elected at all, and whose action is purely personal and entirely arbitrary. This is the most striking difference between the two conventions. One speaks, however imperfectly, for the great mass of the voters who make up the Republican Party. The other speaks, and can speak, only for its own members.

A difference of a kindred character is found in the fact that the Philadelphia Convention must act substantially in harmony with a long record, which the majority of the entire nation has from time to time made up. Its utterances and its action must not only feel the influence of what previous conventions have done, which has become a part of the history of the country, but the sincerity and stability of motive of the Convention are secured by that fact. It would not dare, even if it were tempted, to betray any of the great principles which the people have adopted at the hands of its predecessors, nor would it dare to choose as its candidate any man suspected of treachery, actual or possible, to those principles. Does any such limitation rest on the Cincinnati gathering? Is there anything to control the passions of its members, or to guarantee its good faith in what it may profess? A few score of men come together and call for a mass-meeting to take action on national affairs. What reason have the people to trust the purity of their motives, the subordination of their own interests to those they profess to serve, the superiority of their political wisdom to that shown by the actual representatives of the party?

Nor would a knowledge of the origin of the Cincinnati meeting induce the people to place their interests in its hands. If it ever takes place, and even this is doubtful, it will be due to the engineering of a few ambitious men,—among them HORACE GREELEY and B. GRATZ BROWN. Mr. GREELEY has had large experience in these left-handed political ventures, and his experience has not strengthened the public confidence in his stability or his virtue. What cause has Mr. GREELEY to discredit the Republican National Convention beforehand, or what reason can he suggest for the people's preferring the fortuitous congregation of individual politicians at Cincinnati to their own representatives? Could any man not a candidate for the Presidential nomination be blind enough to suppose, as Mr. GREELEY does, that the Cincinnati assemblage may "name the next President?" As for B. GRATZ BROWN, he and SCHURZ are well coupled. Brown is one of the most pliable, pretentious and useless orators of the day. Across filled with a one-eyed man is king, and Gov. BROWN, whenever he opens does, by a ready tongue, unfridled impudence, and quick thinking caution, to [illegible] with [illegible] of the remarkable [illegible] ly. But of "other" common sense, of practical, business information concerning public affairs, of real originality or force of character, he has not a whit. His attempt to grab the Presidential nomination is one of the most grotesque and striking illustrations of the want of any sort of restraint in our political system. He has courage, energy, and persistence, but he has none of the merits which we have not yet forgotten to demand in our Chief Executive, and he has proved himself of late a most insatiable demagogue. It is to him that the Cincinnati mass-meeting will listen first and most, but a month after it adjourns we venture to say his name will be substantially forgotten.

Mr. Miller's Case.

Yesterday Mr. MILLER, Superintendent of Insurance, called two gentlemen connected with the management of this paper before the Committee now inquiring into the charges against him. His object in doing this was not very clear to those gentlemen when they received the subpœnas, for they knew of nothing which they could testify in Mr. MILLER's behalf. It subsequently appeared that they were called in order that they might be asked to disclose the authorities for the information published in these columns. We have no desire to make any harsh criticism upon Mr. MILLER for adopting this course. As he said yesterday, he is an accused man, and if he honestly desires to get face to face with his accusers, we respect him very much more for that than we are able to respect those of his accusers who keep carefully out of the way.

In all such matters as these the conductors of newspapers, as will instantly be seen by any one who thinks over it, are placed in a very peculiar position. Persons come to a newspaper office with information on subjects in which they are more or less directly interested. Careful inquiry is made as to their fitness for dealing with these subjects, their knowledge of the facts, their good faith, and similar points. The information, probably, comes from many different sources; its accuracy is vouched for by persons who seem thoroughly worthy to be trusted. If the subject is one of considerable public importance—involving, perhaps, a grave abuse or scandal—an editor can scarcely turn a deaf ear to the appeals made to him. Especially does this appear to be the case when an editor has no personal interest in the subject. Now this was our situation in regard to Mr. MILLER. Until yesterday, none of the conductors of this paper ever saw his face, and they have always been entirely free from ill will toward him. They are not interested in insurance business. They simply receive numerous complaints from various sources about Mr. MILLER's dealings with the insurance companies, and they do not feel themselves at liberty to suppress these complaints.

But we must say (as Mr. MILLER was told yesterday by one of the gentlemen referred to) that when a newspaper is the means of bringing about the investigation so eagerly demanded by its informants, it is the duty of those informants to see that the evidence which they have given to the newspaper is produced before the Investigating Committee. It is the same difficulty that occurs in reference to the corrupt Judges. For years past we have been besieged by lawyers and others complaining of these Judges, and asking us to "expose" them. We have exposed them. Our part is done. Are our informants doing their part? We hope so, but have grave doubts about it.

But were these persons much more remiss than we fear they are, it would afford no justification for our betraying the confidence which is reposed in us. We cannot give up their names. We are obliged to take the consequences of any misstatements we make, and do not seek to shuffle off that responsibility upon our correspondents. There might be cases, where a wanton and malicious libel had been uttered, in which it would be right to reveal our sources of information; but we cannot admit that Mr. MILLER's is a case of that kind. It seems to us that the evidence brought out (defective as it is, compared with what we know it might be,) is very strong. On this point, however, we will not dwell today. Mr. MILLER's great mistake consists in his supposing that our attacks upon him have been inspired by one or two interested persons. They have been based upon information flowing into the office from many channels. We do not think we have been misled on any material point. But if Mr. MILLER can vindicate himself, we shall be the first to announce the fact. And in the meantime, the statement made by him, which he handed to us yesterday, shall receive careful attention.

The Charges of the District Courts.

In our news columns, yesterday, appeared something to which we invite the attention of Judge KAUL, of the Eighth District Court. One O'ROURKE, described as a Marshal, attached to that Court, was cited before Col. JOLLIE, the Mayor's Clerk, to answer the charge of withholding $18 50, the amount of a judgment for wages rendered in behalf of a poor servant girl. O'ROURKE admitted the receipt of the money, but declared he had given it to a man named CLARKE, who had appeared as counsel for the girl, and who claimed it as his fee. Upon this statement the Mayor's Clerk decided he could not interfere, and the poor girl would have gone without her hard-earned money but for the charity of a bystander.

Now this proceeding, which we think our readers will agree with us in styling a mean piece of business, illustrates a very frequent and oppressive abuse of our District Courts, but is Judge KAUL's Court said to be particularly noticeable. Under any circumstances the fee was extortionate, and the lawyer who exacts it should not be allowed to practice before any just tribunal. But unless we are greatly mistaken, this man CLARKE is also a marshal of this very Court, who practices law in it, and is [illegible] the presence of any but the members of his family. [illegible] for his one false move of putting a false name, he might very possibly have gained his case, and have compelled the real heirs of Sir ROGER to yield their rights to an impostor. Even though he has failed, it is impossible to deny the boldness and skill with which he has fought his battle. The man is no common impostor, but is a conspicuous instance of abilities and perseverance wasted in a criminal undertaking.

Of his conviction and punishment as a perjurer there can be little doubt. He has succeeded in costing the owners of the Tichborne property an enormous sum in defending their rights. He has defrauded numbers of speculators, and perhaps a few honest men, by the sale of his bonds. He has been for a year a sort of lion, though hardly a pet lion, of the metropolis. He now sinks by a sudden fall to a felon's cell. His story will long remain one of the most interesting causes célèbres known to English law, and his defeat is a high testimony to the skill of the Solicitor-General and his associates, who, with an acuteness and labor never surpassed in the history of any case, have broken down the claimant's elaborate evidence, and exposed the falsity of his pretenses.

Can the Erie Ring Win?

The Erie Ring is making a desperate fight. Its present point of attack is the Committee of the lower House of the Legislature. We do not now say that it has carried this Committee, but it is believed that a majority of the Committee is relied on to report "Husted's bill," or some similar one, instead of Mr. O'BRIEN's bill, for the repeal of the Classification act. If this be correct, the boast of the Erie lobby, that the Ring owns a majority of the present Legislature, will be so far confirmed. The Erie Ring has had large experience in the ownership of men holding trusts from the public. It has seen its seal set on Judges, on members of the Bar, on Senators and Assemblymen, on jurors, referees and District Attorneys, and it has still enough stolen property in its hands to buy more. But we warn members of the Legislature, who are preparing to sell out to the Ring, that there never was so bad a time for this kind of bargain as now. They may get their price, but it is not their votes alone that they sell. They part with all title to the confidence of honest men, and it will be very strange if the people fail to remember them.

If it should turn out that the Ring can get the "Husted bill" through the Committee, then we hope that the minority will insist on presenting a report, and that the question may be brought up for discussion in the open House, and receive a full exposure. It only needs a fair comparison of the bills to see in whose interest they are respectively drawn. The O'BRIEN bill, as it is known, is thorough; the Husted bill is a mere subterfuge. The one presents solid security for the rights of shareholders in providing a practical method for them to obtain control of their property, and calls in the aid of the Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals, (a Democrat, by the way,) and of the Attorney-General of the State, to protect the purity of the election for directors. The other presents no such guarantee. We submit that it is not difficult to divine which of these bills the Erie Ring would prefer, and that one is the one that every honest member of the Legislature ought to vote down.

It is not our fault that any member who does not vote the right way will lay himself open to suspicion. It is the fault of the facts. Some cases are too plain for argument, and the case of the desperate rascality of the Erie Ring is one of these. Whatever it touches it defiles, and for the honest public servant there is only one safe course—to have none of it. The Erie Board of Directors wish to keep in power. They can do so in spite of the repeal of the Classification act, by the fraudulent use of stock which does not belong to them, but which is in their control on account of their refusal to transfer it. The Husted bill allows this perpetuation of stolen power. The O'BRIEN bill prevents it. If any member of the Legislature chooses to vote for the former, knowing the character of the Erie Board,—its notorious jobbery, its lawlessness, and corruption—he must take the consequences. He will be judged by the company he keeps, and the community will rank him with the host of minor chattels, purchased at various prices for various purpose by the Gould Ring, with the money stolen from the Erie shareholders.

The Charms of Spring.

The remarkable change which has taken place in the climate of this City during the past ten years has not yet been satisfactorily accounted for. Not only are our Summers shorter than they formerly were, but there is a sad want of regularity in the conduct of the weather during the whole year. Ten years ago, snow was the rule in the Winter months instead of the exception. We then had sleighing in December, a thaw in January, and our coldest weather in February. Now an inch or two of snow, falling perhaps twice or thrice during the Winter, and melting twenty-four hours after its appearance, only exasperates the lovers of sleighing; the old-fashioned January thaw delays its coming until February, while in March we are sure to have the coldest weather of the year. The steady Summer heat, lasting from June far into September, is only a tradition. We have a few days of intense heat in July or August, but the rest of the Summer is hardly warmer than the May days of the last decade. It will not do to say that the climate is growing colder, for our Winters are plainly less severe than they formerly were. So, too, the chilliness of Summer contradicts the theory that the climate is growing colder; while the utter absence of any sort of regularity in the changes of the weather has received no explanation whatever.

There are those who connect the vagaries of the climate with the loss of the venerable MAXMAN, the sage of Brooklyn Heights. In the days of that estimable person, who was accustomed to mount his nightly house-top, and combine the chase of the nocturnal cat with observations of the height of the thermometer, and investigations through a spy-glass of the facial expression of the moon, there was a steady regularity in the conduct of the weather, which corresponded with the conservative character of the Brooklyn weather prophet. Since his death, however, there has arisen a sect of scientific persons, who scout at MERRIAM as an ignorant pretender to scientific knowledge, and who have attempted to give laws to the capricious elements. They began by assuring us that the Gulf Stream was approaching nearer to the coast, and that the climate was consequently growing warmer. This plausible theory was no sooner published than it was disposed of by an unscientific sea captain, who arrived at this port, and reported that he had met the Gulf Stream a hundred miles further east than it had formerly been found. Defeated in this matter, they next undertook a sort of divination from the examination of beavers and muskrats, and, on finding a beaver asleep in November, would confidently predict a cold Winter. No climate could with any self-respect submit to the dictation of sleepy beavers, and consequently a mild Winter was sure to falsify the predictions of both the beavers and the scientific persons. The more the latter meddled the worse the weather became, until now the warmth of February and the icicles of March display the disdainful lawlessness of the elements. In vain has the Washington Bureau, by confining itself to observations upon meteoric facts, attempted to win the confidence and calm the ruffled dignity of the weather. It will not submit even to the able conductors of the Signal Service Department, but is hot and cold by turns, with the unreasoning fickleness of a headstrong coquette.

Of course these facts afford no explanation of the phenomena of climate. The placid predictions of rain which MERRIAM would publish in the evening papers whenever a thunder-storm sprinkled his house-top, and which showed the absence of all attempt on his part to dictate to the weather, may not have kept the elements good-tempered and reasonable; and the arrogance of the scientific persons may have had no effect in rendering the climate irascible and violent. Still the fact remains that the old-fashioned regularity of the seasons ceased when MERRIAM looked his last through his nocturnal spy-glass, and abandoned forever the midnight chase of dissipated tom-cats. The scientific persons have failed to give us any explanation whatever of the climatic eccentricities which open the rivers in February, and freeze them solid in March.

MINOR TOPICS.

Mr. GREELEY should hasten to embrace Mr. FERNANDO WOOD as a Man and a Brother! Mr. WOOD announced, yesterday, that he was henceforth devoted to the purpose Mr. GREELEY is so often protesting his adherence to, viz., the exposure of corruption in high places. We hope Mr. WOOD, while he is in this virtuous vein, will tell us "what he knows about" the Nassau-street leases. The offices rented under them, for the Corporation Attorney, are as high places as we know of, judged by the rate the City pays for them; and if there is not corruption in them, (the City does not use them,) there is a great deal lying around loose in connection with them.

The cable announces another "significant speech" by Prince BISMARCK, on the efforts of the Ultramontane clergy to repress the teaching of German in the Polish schools of Upper Silesia. This is the third "significant speech" which the German Chancellor has lately made on the same subject. In the first speech of the series, Prince BISMARCK charged the Catholic clergy in general, even when they speak the German language, with favoring and furthering the "aspirations of the Polish nobility for a separation from the German Empire and the Kingdom of Prussia, and the re-establishment of the old Kingdom of Poland within its ancient limits." In the second speech he charged that Germany presented the only example in Europe of the clergy being hostile to the State to which they belong. "The Catholic Church is dearer to their hearts, even though she should place the future of Germany on the basis of a foreign nationality, than the development of the German Empire." Prince BISMARCK has declared that the tolerance of the State with this sort of thing is exhausted, and with him words mean action.

It appears that since 1545 not fewer than thirty-one physicians and thirteen surgeons have been created baronets. The first medical baronetcy, that of Sir E. GERAYNE in 1545, is disputed; but of the second, that of Sir HANS SLOANE, practically the founder of the British Museum, there can be no doubt. It is remarkable that not only has no medical man ever attained the peerage, although it is well known that the late Sir BENJAMIN BRODIE was offered that dignity, but that there is no peerage which springs out of medical baronetcy. Sir HANS SLOANE's daughter and co-heiress, is directly represented today by Lord CADOGAN, who owns Sloane-street and the Chelsea (from which he takes his second title of Viscount CHELSEA) estate of Sir HANS, and the present Countess of ROTHES is the descendant of Sir LUCAS PEPYS, a well-known Baronet M. D., by his wife, Countess of ROTHES in her own right, but there is no direct representative of a medical man in the male line enjoying a peerage today.

A strong local reform met with a check last night in the defeat in the Assembly of the bill to regulate the Williamsburg ferries belonging to GEORGE LAW. These ferries are not only expensive, but they are bad, and, while yielding immense profits to their owner, afford very poor accommodation to the people. A very stubborn fight has been made to secure a reform, and the people of Williamsburg will await with impatience an explanation of its failure.

A momentous case was decided the other day in an English Court. A little boy of ten had feloniously assaulted a little girl of twelve by "applying a mouthful of water over her," against the peace and dignity of the Realm. For this heinous offense the hardened criminal was promptly arraigned before a full bench of Magistrates, six in number. By this august tribunal the prisoner was judged guilty, and sentenced to pay a fine of five shillings, or to be imprisoned for seven days. His mother professing herself unable to pay the fine, the Lilliputian convict had to go to prison, and "wailed from the dock weeping bitterly." This proceeding seems a good deal like training a field-gun on a butterfly. It is, of course, improper that little boys should squirt water over their playmates, but they might surely be suppressed without invoking the majesty of the law. Here the discipline of our children seems at times a trifle lax. The same complaint can hardly be made at Uxbridge.

Cannot some philanthropic inventor discover a substitute for the smooth iron correct of coal slides in our streets? In frosty weather, or especially after a night fall of snow, these pavers become as slippery as a Ring politician, and a constant trap to unwary pedestrians. Awkward falls are not the least serious results; broken bones sometimes make a still less pleasant consequence of the tumble. How this danger it seems might be easily avoided, by corrugating the iron covers, or substituting for them in many cases stone ones. It is a trifling matter perhaps, but it is such trifles which make the difference between comfort and discomfort in life.

It does not seem that the Labor Reform nomination for the Presidency has seriously frightened the House of Representatives, for that body yesterday refused to appropriate money to pay eight-hour laborers in the public employ for ten hours' work. The proposition to do so was very aptly described as a law taxing men who work ten hours a day to pay for the support of men who work only eight. This is the case in a nut-shell.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

THE SEASON OF OPERA.

Mr. STRAKOSCH's artists last evening interpreted "Martha" at the Academy, the intended performance of "Il Trovatore" being deferred in consequence of the indisposition of Signor BARTOLINI. FLOTOW's opera has long been noted for its popularity, and last night's audience and their decision showed that its reputation, in this respect, was still merited. The details of the recital need not, however, detain us long. When "Martha" was sung by the same performers at the outset of the Winter season, considerable space was devoted to a review of the excellence of the representation. It was then said that although *Lady Henrietta* cannot have the prominence of most heroines of the lyric drama, the charm of Miss NILSSON's presence, the vivacity of her acting and the beauties of her singing, rendered her impersonation of the capricious noble woman at all points superior to that supplied by her numerous predecessors. The opinion was then expressed, too, that *Lionello* was the rôle to which M. CAPOUL, by temperament and culture, was best suited; that the effect of M. JAMET's fine voice and finished delivery could not be improved upon in the part of *Plunkett*, and that Miss CARY was a most acceptable *Nancy*. We have only to say, at present, that the opinions printed already in this place would bear rehearsal in respect of yesterday's entertainment. Great applause was bestowed, in turn upon the quartet in the far-scene, upon the two quartetts in the second act, upon the exquisite recital of "the last Rose of Summer" at the same stage of proceedings; upon Miss CARY's air at the outset of act the second; upon M. CAPOUL's "M' appari"—of which a repetition was made unavoidable—and upon the superb finale of the third act, the highly dramatic execution of which brought about the recall of all the personages concerned, after the curtain had fallen. The chorus and orchestra did their work with unusual vigor and precision. Nothing, in fine, was wanting. For Friday "Il Trovatore" is promised.

MERLIN'S MATINEES.

The first of a series of matinées—or rather of *après-midis*—supplied by Miss ANNA MEHLIG, occurred at STEINWAY's smaller hall, yesterday afternoon. The place was crowded, and the interpretation of the programme afforded evident satisfaction. BEETHOVEN's "Appassionata" sonata, two fugues by BACH, SCHUMANN's "Kindersscenen," and HENSELT's "Liebestraut" were the principal compositions recited. The selections elicited the display of technique, subordinate to the thoughtfulness, and to the not unlimited but not unapparent sensibility, for which Miss MEHLIG's playing has been conspicuous since it was first enjoyed in this country. Miss MEHLIG's fugal work on the keyboard was especially interesting, and as effective as similar performances on a piano can be. At the next entertainment, which may be attended on Wednesday of the coming week, no repetition of this part of the bill is to be looked for, but more appreciable compositions than yesterday's may be expected.

Mr. Van Nort and the Water Meters.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

I have heretofore refrained from noticing the persistent misrepresentations of myself, since my appointment as Commissioner of Public Works, that have from time to time appeared in your journal. I now, for the purpose of denying a distinct charge made in your issue of today, to the effect that I had to pledge myself in favor of a claim for "water meters," amounting to $272,000, to secure my appointment as Commissioner of Public Works, beg leave to say that said claim was not certified by me, nor did I present it to the Board of Audit, nor did I transmit it to the Department of Finance, nor have I favored its payment, nor did I make any promise, pledge or agreement, regarding said claim, or as to any other matter, either before or after my appointment, nor did I even know of the existence of such a claim until after I took charge of the Department.

Another bill for "water meters," delivered before I entered upon the duties of my office, amounting to $310,000, and which I have declined to certify, is now and will remain on file in the Department office, without approval, so far as any action of mine is concerned. I accepted office at the solicitation of personal and political friends, in the interest of good government and without pledges or bargains of any kind, and it was then, as it is now, my intention to conduct the office in such manner as to secure retrenchment and reform, and I am in favor of such legislation as will best attain those objects. The other allegations in said article are also entirely without foundation. The gentlemen who became my bondsmen, Hon. RICHARD M. BLATCHFORD and WILLIAM E. MARTIN, Esq., did so at my personal solicitation and without the intervention of any person, and they have, as I believe, the fullest confidence in my integrity.

GEORGE M. VAN NORT.

ALBANY, N. Y., Tuesday, March 5, 1873.

Personal.

Dr. E. Eldridge, of Elmira, and Judge E. D. Rice, of Maine, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel. Ex-State Senator Benjamin Stark, of New-London, is at the Albemarle Hotel. Gen. J. B. Carr, of Troy; Hon. A. E. Sprague, of Providence, and Hon. H. A. Sargent, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Col. Manuel Lean, of Mexico, is at the New York Hotel. Hon. W. F. Fargo, of Buffalo, and Capt. Alex. Hay, of Philadelphia, are at the Astor House. Major N. F. Wilbeck, of Troy, and Col. Piper, of Syracuse, are at the Metropolitan Hotel. Thos. C. Battles, of Cincinnati; Rev. Jas. R. Mills, of Louisville; Judge Billings, of Albany, and Judge Alexander, of Cleveland, are at Earles Hotel. W. T. Walters, of Baltimore, is at the Brevoort House. Gen. E. Burdine, of New-Jersey, is at the Everett House. Jacob P. Thompson, ex-Minister to Spain, is at the Hoffman House.

POLITICAL.

Vigorous Prosecution of the Campaign in New-Hampshire.

Mr. Hale, of Maine, on the Stump—The Democrats Losing Ground—Local Meetings and Movements.

NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

Hons. Eugene Hale Nails Democratic Falsehoods—Schurz's and Sumner's Speech the Main Reliance of the Enemy.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

CONCORD, N. H., March 5.—Hon. EUGENE HALE, of Maine, had a fair attendance at his meeting at West Concord last night, and made an effective speech, dwelling chiefly upon the Democratic record since the war, in opposing everything proposed for the good of the nation. They now go before the people with nothing better than false and scurrilous tales, picked up at the kitchen door of the White House, about the military household for the President, and other stories equally trivial if true, but all foully false.

SCHURZ AND SUMNER AIDING THE DEMOCRATS.

It has been discovered that the Democrats in this State have sent out scarcely any campaign documents, except the speeches of Senators SCHURZ and SUMNER, but chiefly those of the former. Most of these have been distributed under the frank of the New-Hampshire Democratic Congressmen, but some have been forwarded under the frank of Senator TIPTON, which had evidently been sent out by the Democratic State Committee. E. C.

The Campaign Vigorously Pressed—Voorhees Fails the Democracy—A Republican Victory Sure.

NASHUA, N. H., March 6.—The Granite Democracy are thrown flat on their backs, to-night, by the failure of VOORHEES, of Indiana, to make his appearance. He had been announced by the State Committee to begin a grand tour of the State in this town to-night, in which he was to preach the new Gospel of Democracy from texts offered by Senator SCHURZ. The excuse offered for Mr. VOORHEES was sickness in his family, which was rather coldly received by the large audience gathered to hear him. There was introduced in his stead the usual sort of Democratic speakers, who had much to say about the despotism of GRANT, and one of whom was exceedingly anxious there should be a union of the Democracy with TRUMBULL, SCHURZ, TIPTON, and others, to overthrow GRANT. Col. ARCHER, of Albany, stirred up the meeting by promises of victory, and declared that the Democratic Party would not, if it could, undo anything which had been done during the past few years.

The Republican canvass continues to be pushed with great vigor. Large meetings have been held at many points, among which were Piermont, Charlestown, Wilton, Newport, Weare, New Market and Hudson. Among the speakers were Gen. Corbin, Hon. Horace Maynard, Hon. M. W. Tappan, Col. Briggs, Gen. Harriman, Gen. A. F. Stephens, Hon. G. W. Scofield and Hon. Eugene Hale. Great preparations have been made for the remaining days of the canvass. Hon. JOHN A. BINGHAM and Hon. JOB E. STEVENSON speak in Nashua to-morrow night, and in Concord next day. Mrs. LIVERMORE, of Boston, will deliver an address in behalf of Republican principles to-morrow night in Concord, and will probably speak at other points subsequently, but the programme has not yet been fully arranged. From now until Tuesday every town in the State will be worked to the utmost, and there is less doubt than ever before of the result—a Republican victory. E. C.

A Word About the Weather—The Canvass Checked by the Intense Cold—Present Condition and Prospects of the Contest—Hopeful of the Democrats.

From our Special Correspondent.

CONCORD, N. H., Tuesday, March 5, 1872.

The weather has become suddenly so cold that the people are much amused, for on Sunday they were seriously thinking of discarding heavy wrappings, the atmosphere being so genial and warm. Yesterday was cloudy, but so warm that when snow began falling just before dark, the weather-wise prophesied it would turn to rain and we were to be deluged. Presto! When the primitive town awoke this morning, it found itself enjoying a taste of the polar regions. Hence the streets were deserted; shops and stores that usually are filled with the hum and stir of human industry as early as 7 o'clock, were closed and tenantless at 9 o'clock. Literally, the town had been frozen up, and it could not even look out from its coverts by the fires upon rigid nature, for the windows were frosted an inch thick with a frost so cold that to touch it seemed to chill the marrow. The day opened cloudless, and the sun came up and went his way across the sky with impotent grandeur. There was no warmth in his rays, which humiled some people out to be frost-bitten. As the day advanced, there was some little amelioration, and business that could not be postponed was done under extreme difficulty. A few vehicles traversed the streets at a rapid rate, horses and drivers covered with frosty rime made by the freezing of their breath. But no one attempted a protracted contest with the rigors of the day.

The weather has been spoken of thus at length because it engrosses all minds and is the only topic of interest today. Whether STRAW or WESTON will be elected Governor, whether the Republicans or Democrats will have control of the next Legislature, are questions which, for the moment, have lost interest, and people are exclusively occupied in wondering when it will get warmer. Mr. ELA, the wheel-horse of New-Hampshire Republicanism, told me the other day that when the canvass began everything was deadly cold, but both parties had worked so hard that the interest was up to fever-heat, and could not be again reduced. He did not count upon this change—nobody did—for a snow-storm in August could scarcely have caused more surprise. Had this change come on next Tuesday instead of today, all political calculations would have been upset, for not more than two-thirds of the vote of the State would have been polled. This weather cannot endure at this season very long, and will likely not last beyond today, so that there will be little interruption of the canvass. To-night Gen. SICKLES makes his first speech in the State at Portsmouth, and despite the weather will doubtless have a good audience, as all political meetings of New-Hampshire are held in well-warmed halls. Tuesday afternoon, Hon. D. W. VOORHEES speaks for the Democracy in this city, and is followed in the evening by Hon. CHAS. P. KIMBALL, of Maine. Friday evening, Mrs. LIVERMORE speaks here in reply to VOORHEES, and Hon. JOHN A. BINGHAM, of Ohio, has been induced to come up and make three speeches at leading points. Hon. BENJAMIN F. WADE, of Ohio, has been invited, and he is in Boston it is believed he will accept and make two speeches in the latter part of the week. Hon. JAMES B. WILSON, of Iowa, whose powerful speeches are making a deep impression, and who spoke to a large audience at Keene yesterday, will address the electors at three other points before the canvass closes. Senator FAIRBANKS, Hon. J. H. ELA, Gen. HARRIMAN and other home orators, with Hon. CHAS. H. PORTER, of Virginia; Hon. GEO. C. MCKEE, of Mississippi; Gen. JOHN L. SWIFT, of Massachusetts, and other prominent speakers, have each at least one meeting per day from now until election. The Republicans have forty-seven meetings appointed to occur, and others are being arranged by the indefatigable Stump Committee, so that there will be at least one meeting more in each town, and several in some of the larger cities, such as Manchester, Nashua and Concord. The Democrats are equally in earnest, but, so far as I can learn, their success is not so certain—so that of their opponents, or they have chosen to depend on quiet work at the polls. Carpet-bagger CARPENTER and Gen. VOORHEES are the only known

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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

PALMYRA, N. Y., March 6.—The first gun for GRANT was fired in this town yesterday. At our annual town-meeting, the entire Republican ticket was elected by majorities ranging from 150 to 271. The town has been Democratic for years at our Spring election, and this is the first Republican Supervisor we have elected since 1867. You may safely set this result down as a big star for GRANT, which we shall continue to follow up until November next. E. S. A.

LOCAL POLITICS.

The German Reform Movement.

The German Reform organization of the Seventeenth Assembly District, yesterday, effected a reorganization, resulting in the defeat of MARCUS OTTENBURG, whose delegation was contested in the German Reform Central Committee. The following officers were elected: President, JULIUS BOEKEL; Vice-Presidents, F. Biele and R. R. Senn; Secretaries, Albert M. Schuck and Franz Mueller; Treasurer, John Schuckmann; Delegates to the German Reform Central Committee, Peter Cook, A. A. Reusen, Henry Wellen, J. Baur, Oscar Rudy, Chas. Luth, Nicholas Reyms, F. Herrsch, G. Enckeschwerdt, A. A. Augermann, Nicholas Hermann, Henry Bindewald, Henry Kleuke.

Democratic Reform—The Charter Endorsed.

A meeting of the Reform Democrats of the First Assembly District was held last night, at No. 72 Greenwich-street, Justice HOGAN in the chair. Mr. HOGAN explained the object of the meeting, which was chiefly to ratify the action of the New-York Democratic Reform Organization. He referred to the work done by this organization, and also to the new charter of the Committee of Seventy, which he hoped the honest Democrats of that district would heartily indorse.

Messrs. S. H. Randall, R. H. Moore, W. H. Wickham, A. R. Lawrence and Justice Quinn having addressed the meeting, resolutions indorsing the work of the exposure of official corruption in this City, and favoring reform in the election laws were adopted, and the meeting adjourned.

The Opening of the Campaign—Democratic Reform Mass-Meeting in the First District.

A mass-meeting of the Reform Democracy of the First Assembly District, was held last evening at No. 72 Greenwich-street, under the auspices of the First Ward Democratic Reform Association. There were about 500 people present. Judge HOGAN presided, and after a few remarks, stating the object of the meeting, to ratify the action of the Democratic Reform General Committee, and prepare for the charter election, he introduced SAMUEL H. RANDALL, who delivered a lengthy and able address. He referred to the uprising of the people against corruption last November, and pointed out some of the fruits which it has already borne; less expenditure of public money; strict accountability of officials, lesser taxation and the purifying of the judiciary. He spoke of the new Charter before the Legislature, and approved of the proposed accumulative system of voting. He hoped the people would continue to do their duty as they did in November last, and never again prove recreant to their own interests.

Hon. WM. H. WICKHAM, Chairman of the Democratic Reform General Committee, was received with loud cheers. He said the aim of the Reform Democracy was to have the people rule themselves, and not be ruled by a set of them. It is time the people should have something to say in their own affairs. Heretofore a few leaders were everything and the people nothing.

Hon. ABRAHAM R. LAWRENCE said there were two things which the Democracy needs. A thorough reorganization and a new election to show that while New-York is for reform it is also a Democratic City. Some men try to make out that Reform and Democracy are two different things; but that was not his understanding. While New-York bore aloft the banner of Reform it also waved the banner of Democracy. It was Democracy that effected the great reform and United out of place corrupt officials, and he wanted to see them get the credit of it. He then referred to the corruption in the national Administration and throughout the Union, and said the Democracy was not responsible for it. He wanted a new election in May, to show that the City is Democratic, and that the Tilden New-York State would look out for a Democratic President.

Addresses were also made by Judge QUINN and Mr. ROBERT B. MOONEY.

Resolutions were passed in favor of an honest election law, purity of the ballot-box and an honest administration of Municipal affairs.

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Support to the Committee of Seventy—Over Twenty Millions of Reform—Over Twenty Millions of Robbery Arrested.

The following statement of the expenses in the recent openings of streets, avenues and public parks is taken from a further report of the "Committee of Seventy" by Messrs. SAMUEL B. RUGGLES, HENRY NICOLL, and JAMES M. BROWN, based upon the items of the costs and charges, which, by direction of the Committee of Seventy, have been carefully compiled from the assets and statements in the City Comptroller's office by Mr. BARCLAY GALLAGHER, the Assistant Secretary of the Committee. Taxpaying citizens can hardly fail to read the statement with interest, and to note the facts contained therein.

I.—Extending Church-street southwardly from Fulton-street to Park Row. Report, Dec. 28, 1871. Commencement—JOHN BOOTY, G. T. ANGELLOTTI.

Awards, $2,207,201; costs, $74,[illegible]. Assessed wholly on private property-owners.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$2,400
Preparing report—Edward J. Wilson	2,000
Surveyor—Edward Boyle	2,918
Clerk—George H. Purser	1,400
Clerical services—William Steadman	2,000
G. W. Van Tassell	1,800
Appraisers—James M. Varnum	1,000
James A. Dugan	1,000
James H. Taylor	1,000
Adrian H. Muller	800
E. H. Ludlow	800
Stationery and printing—William C. Rogers	2,[illegible]
Advertising in eight newspapers	2,070

The total costs of widening Fulton-street in 1867, from Broadway to Hicks-alley, near Gold-street, 1,300 feet, were only $8,[illegible].

II.—Widening Laurens-street, from Washington-square to Canal-street, about 2,800 feet. Feb. 25, 1870. Commissioners—JAMES H. COLEMAN, ROBERT C. HUTCHINGS, MORGAN JONES.

Awards, $1,810,849; costs, $144,344. Assessments on City, $788,122—residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$20,000
Preparing report—E. J. Wilson	4,000
Surveyor—Edward Boyle	10,238
Clerk—Geo. H. Purser	4,000
Clerical services—Daniel Wheeler	2,000
Wm. H. Hart	1,000
Willard Bartlett	1,000
Stationery and printing—Wm. C. Rogers	4,[illegible]
Advertising in eleven newspapers	4,[illegible]

III.—Extending Lafayette-place from Great Jones-street to Bleecker-street, about 4,200 feet. Area of land taken, 186,106, 22x100; April 7, 1870. Commissioners—THOMAS E. VAN BRUNT, HUGH SMITH, JOHN J. MCCULLAGH.

Awards, $1,488,262; costs, $72,003; expenses, $88,272. Assessment on City, $775,522, residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$20,000
Preparing report—E. J. Wilson	4,000
Surveyors—Nichols & Mihnely	12,000
James A. Bagley	611
Clerk—Geo. H. Purser	4,000
Clerical services—Peter Traiman	2,000
Francis McCabe	2,000
John T. Conover	800
Daniel Mulvaney	800
Stationery and printing—Wm. C. Rogers	2,[illegible]
Advertising in four newspapers	1,100

N. B.—The total costs of opening Lexington-avenue in 1857, from Twenty-first-street to Thirty-first-street, $140,000; cost, $1,[illegible].

IV.—Extending Park-place from College-place to West-street, about 1,150 feet; Feb. 22, 1870. Commencement—JOHN H. COLEMAN, WALTER ROCHE, JOHN JEE.

Awards, $749,018; costs, $66,000; expenses, $17,[illegible]. Assessment on City, $570,000; residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$16,000
Preparing report—Edward J. Wilson	3,000
Surveyor—Edward Boyle	14,728
Clerk—George H. Purser	2,000
Clerical services—William Steadman	2,000
G. W. Van Tassell	1,800
Appraisers—James M. Varnum	1,000
James A. Dugan	1,000
James H. Taylor	1,000
Adrian H. Muller	800
E. H. Ludlow	800
Stationery and printing—William C. Rogers	2,[illegible]
Advertising in seven newspapers	2,[illegible]

V.—Widening Broome-street, from Wooster to Lafayette, not exceeding 200 feet, taking a strip of land about twelve feet in length on Broome and used for court-yards. July 18, 1871. Commissioners—GRATZ NATHAN and two others.

Awards, $67,000; costs, $13,250; collection fees, $1,[illegible]; assessment on City, $15,000, residue on property-holders.

VI.—Extending Lafayette-place, from Great Jones-street to Bleecker-street. Report advertised for hearing on Monday, Feb. 26, 1872. Commissioners—GRATZ NATHAN, WALTER ROCHE and WM. STUART.

Awards exceed $600,000; amount assessed on the City, $600,000.

Amount and items of costs not yet ascertainable.

For improvements in the vicinity of Central Park, most of them embraced in the new plan of the upper part of the City, established by the Commissioners of the Park under the act of 1868.

VII.—Opening a "circle," 200 feet diameter at the south-west corner of Central Park, at the intersection of Eighth-avenue, Fifty-ninth-street, Broadway, and Boulevard (a large portion of the land taken was appropriated to those streets and avenues). Confirmed Feb. 19, 1868. Commissioners—JOHN K. HACKETT, JOHN J. BRADLEY, and CHARLES G. HALPINE.

Awards for lands, $604,772; costs, $28,321; assessed on Central Park, $526,122—residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$9,000
Preparing report—Edward J. Wilson	4,000
Surveyor—G. A. Sage	4,000
Clerk—Edward J. Wilson	1,750
Assistant Clerk—James M. Sweeny	1,250
Appraisers—Thomas Coleman	800
John Scott	800
Sylvester E. Nolan	800
Linus Scudder	800
John Mullen	800
John Hunt	800
Anthony J. Bleecker	800
A. H. Muller	800
E. H. Ludlow	800
Stationery and printing—Wm. C. Rogers	800
Advertising in four newspapers	1,123

VIII.—Opening public place, 200 feet square, at south-east corner of Central Park, on Fifth-avenue, and Fifty-ninth-street. Commissioners—ROBERT C. HUTCHINGS, HUGH SMITH and GRATZ NATHAN.

Awards for lands, $604,772; costs, $28,321; assessed on the City for Central Park, $169,[illegible]—residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$9,000
Preparing report—E. J. Wilson	7,500
Surveyors—Charles E. Graham	9,428
Clerk—George H. Purser	2,000
Clerical services—Peter Traiman	2,000
Stationery and printing—Wm. C. Rogers	1,510
Advertising in five newspapers	1,500

IX.—Opening public place, near Ninth-avenue, Sixty-third-street and Central Park. Commissioners—JAMES H. COLEMAN, WILLARD BARTLETT and WM. H. TRACEY.

Awards for lands, $188,082; costs, $8,374. Assessed on City, $97,000; residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$6,000
Preparing report—George H. Purser	2,000
Surveyor—Edward J. Boyle	4,528
Clerk—George H. Purser	700
Stationery and printing—William C. Rogers	367
Advertising in four newspapers	2,000

X.—Opening One Hundred and Twenty-second, One Hundred and Twenty-third and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh streets. July 12, 1870. Commissioners—JOHN BROWN, E. CROLIUS and MICHAEL HALPINE.

Awards for lands and buildings, $145,767; costs, 927,634; collectors' fees, $4,720. Assessed on City, $48,[illegible]. Residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$7,000
Preparing report—George H. Purser	4,000
Surveyor—J. A. Bagley	9,000
Clerk—George H. Purser	2,000
Appraisers—Warren Brady	800
John Quinn	800
Stationery and printing—Wm. C. Rogers	1,541
Advertising in five newspapers	1,315

In twenty other separate cases, from Seventy-second to One Hundred and Forty-sixth-street, nearly all the openings nominal and without award, the aggregate costs were $152,798; average, $7,639.

The costs in cases of this description in 1857 did not exceed in the average $1,000.

XI.—Opening Avenue St. Nicholas, with Manhattan-street, from One Hundred and Tenth to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth-street, occupying in part the old "Harlem-lane." Lineal extent about 16,000 feet. Confirmed May 24, 1869. Commissioners—GEO. A. ONDONK, JOHN BRYAN, F. O. WINSLOW, Jr., who resigned, and was succeeded by J. H. COLEMAN.

Award for lands and buildings, $945,290; costs, $115,[illegible]; Assessed on City, $11,942, residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$24,000
Preparing report—E. J. Wilson	24,858
Surveyors—Edward Boyle	22,420
Clerk—Geo. H. Purser	4,000
Clerical services—Peter Traiman	2,000
Francis McCabe	2,000
John T. Conover	800
Daniel Mulvaney	800
Stationery and printing—Wm. C. Rogers	2,[illegible]
Advertising in seven newspapers	1,130

XII.—Opening public park, from Ninth-avenue, Sixty-third-street and Central Park, to Eighth-avenue, Fifty-ninth-street to One Hundred and Fifty-fifth-street. Lineal extent about 27,000 feet; Boulevard 160 feet wide, of which access and light concedes of land in the old Bloomingdale Road and the Eleventh-avenue; average number of City lots, 25 by 100, taken in each of the ninety-six blocks, six lots, or, in all 576 lots. Confirmed June 15, 1868. Commissioners—GEO. A. DESCOSH, W. G. HUNT, and W. P. LEE.

Awards for lands, $2,677,916; costs, $117,[illegible]; assessed on City, $1,[illegible]; residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$16,700
Preparing report—E. J. Wilson	22,270
Surveyor—G. A. Sage	28,761
Clerk—E. J. Wilson	4,[illegible]
Clerical services—J. M. Davies	6,[illegible]
Appraisers—W. H. Hume	2,700
Thomas Dunlap	2,700
Livery	[illegible]
Advertising in four newspapers	2,[illegible]

XIII.—Opening Avenue St. Nicholas, from One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street to One Hundred and Twenty-third-street, containing about 21 acres, about 434 City lots, 25 by 100 feet each. It occupies the rocky hill-side near the Bloomingdale Asylum. Confirmed Aug. 7, 1871. Commissioners—WM. M. TWEED, Jr., HUGH SMITH and ROBERT SUTHERLAND.

Awards for lands, $[illegible]; costs, $[illegible]; assessed on the City [illegible]; residue on property-holders.

ITEMS OF COSTS.

Commissioners	$[illegible]
Preparing report—Geo. H. Purser	[illegible]
Surveyors—Nichols & Mihnely	[illegible]
J. A. Bagley	[illegible]
Clerk—Geo. H. Purser	[illegible]
Clerical services—Wm. A. Bell	[illegible]
Wm. Hamilton	[illegible]

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	Gross cost.	Assess. Charges.	Assess. on City.
In extensive Courts cases	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Interest on Assessments	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Interest on Assessments	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Repairs	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Repairs to Park Gates	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Repairs to Reservoirs	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Widening Streets	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening streets, gas-lamps, etc.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening streets, gas-lamps, etc.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening Public Places	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening Public Places, Ninth-avenue and Sixty-fifth-street	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening One Hundred and Twenty-second, One Hundred and Twenty-third and One Hundred and Twenty-seventh-streets	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening Public Park, Ninth-avenue and Sixty-third-street	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
In the twenty-six cases of opening of parts of streets between Seventy-second and One Hundred and Forty-sixth-street	[illegible]	[illegible]	One or two moderate.
Opening Avenue St. Nicholas	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening avenue St. Nicholas	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening Boulevard and Public Drive	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Opening Morning Side Park	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Contingent			
Opening Riverside Park	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Expenses	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Widening and straight.	[illegible]		
Opening Broadway	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Repairs	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Estimated cost of second commission, same rate as the first	[illegible]		
Extending Lafayette-place	Not known.		[illegible]
Total	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

The Special Committee would add, in conclusion, that the $13,128,577 of assessments thus imposed upon the City is but a little compared with the far heavier sums which will be required for existing improvements, if the present system of Government, conducting affairs by the same period, may be estimated up as follows:

Completion of Central Park	$[illegible]
Completion of Riverside Park	[illegible]
Completion of Morning Side Park	[illegible]
Completion of Public Places	[illegible]
Completion of Public Drives	[illegible]
Completion of Boulevard	[illegible]
Completion of Avenue St. Nicholas	[illegible]
Completion of Avenue St. Nicholas	[illegible]
Completion of Avenue St. Nicholas

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The attendance at the Exchange yesterday, March 8, was again large and the bidding brisk.

Jeremiah McGuire, by order of the Supreme Court in foreclosure, under the direction of Hiram A. Benson, Esq., referee, sold two three-story and basement brick houses and lots, situate on the south side of East Seventy-ninth-street, between Second and Third avenues, known as Nos. 214 and 216, for $14,400 and $14,500, respectively. Purchasers, Samuel Weeks, Jr., of No. 214, and Wm. Meyers, of No. 216.

Muller, Wilkins & Co., as an executor's sale, by order of Matthias Clark and Jas. E. Hunter, executors of Susan Van Vleet, deceased, sold the three-story brick-front house and lot known as No. 453 Greenwich-street, between Desbrosses and Watts streets, for $22,100; purchaser, E. Richardson. Also, the lease of a lot, with the two and a half-story brick house thereon, known as No. 215 Hudson-street, between Spring and Vandam streets, for $2,700; purchaser, John Mehr. The lease is one from Trinity Church, to May 1, 1873; ground rent, $800 per annum. Particulars of the usual weekly stock sale, conducted by Messrs. Muller & Co., will be found below.

A. D. Mellick, Jr., & Co., as an assignee's sale, disposed of a farm in New Jersey, of which the following is a description: 23 38-100 acres of land in Union Township, Union County, New-Jersey; situate on the north-east side of the public road leading from Lyons' farm to Connecticut farms, formerly a portion of the Sparks farm; sold for $10,200 over and above two mortgages, amounting to $11,862, making the total sum realized $21,962. Purchaser, Sheldon Lenvett.

No other sales than the above were consummated, but A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co. adjourned two local auctions, involving the disposition of City real estate, announced to occur yesterday, as follows: Sale of lot on Sixth-avenue, south-east corner of Fifty-first-street, adjourned until Wednesday of next week; that of lot with building thereon, at the junction of New-Chambers, Oak and Roosevelt streets, adjourned until the 20th inst. The exact figures realized at the sale of the Walter estate, conducted by Muller, Wilkins & Co., at the Exchange on Tuesday, were $111,100.

Prior to the sale at the Exchange, it was intended to take place in that to be held by V. K. Stevenson & Son, at which fourteen very choice west side lots, situate in the block bounded by the Grand Boulevard, Tenth-avenue, Seventy-sixth and Seventy-seventh streets, will be offered at auction. The sale is one by order of the Supreme Court, and it is announced by the chairman of the property and its well-known business value should create competition among investors in realty, and the result, if we can predicate an opinion from the recent transactions made, can hardly fail to be a success. Other sales are announced by other auctioneers, also worthy attention, viz.: By Muller, Wilkins & Co., of house and lot on Seventy-first-street, near Ninth-avenue; of house and lot on Mulberry-street, between Spring and Prince streets, and of two houses and lots on Thompson-street, between Broome and Spring streets. By Joseph McGuire, of two lots on One Hundred and Twenty-fifth-street, near Eighth-avenue. By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co., of two lots, with building, known as Nos. 193 and 195 Elm-street; and by James M. Miller, of a house and lot on the south-west corner of Third-avenue and One Hundred and Third-street.

STOCK TRANSACTIONS.

At the stock sale, conducted by Messrs. Muller & Co., at the Exchange, yesterday, the following securities were sold at the percentages noted: 20 shares Peoples' Bank, par value $25 each, sold at 151 per cent.; 58 shares Central Railroad of New-Jersey, $100 each, sold at 112¾; 5 shares Park National Bank, $100 each, at 101¼; 63 shares Merchant's Exchange National Bank, $50 each, at 96; 30 shares Broadway Fire Insurance Company, $25 each, at 183½; 60 shares Buffalo, New-York and Erie Railroad Company, $100 each, at 89; $1,000 United States 5-20s Coupons of 1862, 4th series, interest May and November, at 111½; $600 United States 5-20s Coupons of 1865, 4th series, interest January and July, at 111¾; 50 shares Merchants' Exchange National Bank, $50 each, at 94¾; 200 shares Greenwich Bank, $25 each, at 228; 70 shares People's Bank, $25 each, 150½; 100 shares Ninth National Bank, $100 each, at 107¼; 13 shares Relief Fire Insurance Company, $50 each, at 98; 40 shares Corn Exchange Fire Insurance Company, $20 each, at 92½; 130 shares Manhattan Gas-light Company, $50 each, at 125¾; $3,700 Metropolitan Gas-light Company scrip stock, at 108; and 1,800 shares Northumberland Coal Company, of Pennsylvania, par $100 each, at 16.

Also, the following securities at the prices noted per lot: 1,250 shares Dagus-cahonda Improvement Company, of Elk County, Pennsylvania, 420 each; and loans to Dagus-cahonda Improvement Company, amounting to $14,675, as follows: Receipts March 9, 1865, $1,000; May 20, 1866; June 19, $4,000; July 31, $775; Feb. 26, 1867, $625; March 4, $2,000; May 8, $2,000; Feb. 7, 1868, $4,750; Aug. 27, 1868, $450, bearing interest at seven per cent. until paid, $14 for lot.

Two thousand shares Columbia Coal Company of Pennsylvania, $100 each; and loans to Columbia Dredging Company, amounting to $8,289 02; April 7, 1866, $4,192 26; Sept. 4, 1866, $4,166 66, $67 for lot.

Loans to Northumberland Coal Company, amounting to $6,879 03. Receipts Sept. 14, 1864, $2,000; Dec. 17, $633 33; Dec. 17, $633 33; Jan. 12, 1866, $633 33; July 7, 1868, $979 09, $20 for lot.

Exchange Sales, Wednesday, March 6.

NEW-YORK.

By Joseph McGuire.

3-story and basement brick house and lot, No. 214 East 62d-st., n. s., 425 ft. e. of 3d-av., lot 20 x 102.2 ..... $14,600

3-story and basement brick house and lot, No. 216 East 62d-st., n. s., 245 ft. e. of 3d-av., lot 20 x 102.2 14,500

By Muller, Wilkins & Co.

3-story brick house and lot, No. 453 Greenwich-st., n. w. corner of Desbrosses-st., lot 22 x 100 ..... $22,100

2-story brick house and lease of lot, No. 215 Hudson-st., w. s., between Spring and Vandam-sts., lot 25 x 100; term, 1 year; ground rent, $800 per year, Trinity Church ground rent, $400 per year 2,700

UNION TOWNSHIP, UNION COUNTY, N. J.

By A. D. Mellick, Jr., & Co.

Farm of land containing 23 38-100 acres, n. e. side of public road leading from Lyons' farms to Connecticut farms $22,940

CITY REAL ESTATE.

POSITIVE SALE BY AUCTION,

Grand Boulevard and 77th-st., fourteen lots.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7.

ADDISON THOMAS, Referee, No. 4 Wall-st., by

V. K. STEVENSON & SON.

FOR SALE CHEAP—BY THE OWNER, a very desirable, a four-story high-stoop house, with all modern improvements, with or without furniture, on 27th-st., between 5th and 6th avs.; terms easy. If not sold prior to April 1, will be rented for one year. Enquire on the premises. Apply to LEVI COOZ, No. 20 Wall-st.

FOR SALE—TWO LOTS AND A GOOD stable in 27th-st., near 5th-av. Also, 3 cottage lots and stable, in 27th-st., near 6th-av.; also a three-story English basement house, in 22d-st., between 6th and 7th-avs., in good order, and cheap for cash; or will exchange for country property. J. COBRIT, No. 252 8th-av.

FOR SALE—FOUR-STORY BROWN-STONE house, No. 2 East 54th-st., 22x54, with stable adjoining, 14x38; plot 36x100, situated only 125 feet from 5th-av., and in one of the best streets, near the Park; will be sold low for the low price of $60,000. Terms to suit. Apply at No. 633 5th-av., or No. 208 Fulton-st.

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BRADLEY & CURRIER, No. 54 Dey-st.

FOR SALE—NOS. 20, 22 AND 24 WEST 14TH-st., 75x200 feet, running through to 13th-st., to which may be added, if desired, Nos. 26, making 100 feet front on 14th-st., and 75 feet on 13th-st.; suitable for any purpose where much space is desired. Apply to FRANCIS TOMES, No. 104 Broadway.

FOR SALE, IN FEE—ABOVE 42D-ST., close by 6th-av., a magnificently located four-story high-stoop brown-stone house, 25x55; three bath-rooms; every convenience for a large family; never before offered; owner going abroad. ARCHIBALD L. WILLIAMS, No. 78 Murray-st.

A FOUR-STORY FIFTEEN-ROOM HOUSE, 6th-av., between 56th and 57th sts., for sale; $20,000; No. 219 East 42d-st., twelve rooms, modern build, $11,000; to be seen; for speculation; payments to suit purchasers. GOLDSMITH, No. 236 Broadway, owner.

FOR SALE, AT A BARGAIN, A NICE three-story and basement brick house, perfect order; $8,500; terms to suit; on 126th-st.; three minutes' walk from Steam-boat landing. Apply to WM. H. RAYNOR, No. 54 Pine-st.

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A FIRST-CLASS FOUR-STORY high-stoop brown-stone house on 20th-st., between 5th and 6th avs., will be sold for less than its value, as the owner has no longer any use for it. Apply to ISAAC HONIG, No. 48 Pine-st.

GRAND BOULEVARD, NEAR 59TH-st.; 100x100 feet; also 100th-av., near 102d-st., 50x100. These two exceedingly valuable parcels are offered reasonably and on easy terms. Apply to V. K. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-st.

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A FINE CORNER GRAND BOULEVARD and 77th-st., fourteen lots, THURSDAY, March 7. "Sale positive." ADDISON THOMAS, Referee, No. 4 Wall-st., by V. K. STEVENSON & SON, No. 11 Pine-st.

A HOUSE IN SIDAT, NEAR LEXINGTON-av.—For sale on easy terms. Price $11,000. E. F. GOODING, No. 26 Broadway.

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FOR SALE.—A RARE OPPORTUNITY is offered those who wish to buy some of the most elegant and accessibly located houses in all Brooklyn; prices and terms to suit. No. 271 Quincy-st., three-story, brick front, French roof, 20x40x50x100, 40 feet from Lafayette-av. No. 273 Quincy-st., three-story, brick front, French roof, 20x40x50x100, 40 feet from Lafayette-av. No. 275 Quincy-st., three-story, brick front, French roof, 20x40x50x100, 40 feet from Lafayette-av. No.

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CITY OF NEW-YORK....Saturday, Mar. 16, 10 A. M.
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WYOMING, Capt. WHINERAY.....Mar. 20, at 2½ P. M.
MINNESOTA, Capt. MORGAN.....Mar. 27, at 3½ A. M.
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CLEOPATRA, Phillips, (Havana only,) Tues., April 9
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No. 12 West-st.

MAGNOLIA, Capt. PALMER, SATURDAY, March 9, from Pier No. 9 North River, at 3 P. M.

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HUNTSVILLE, Capt. CROWELL, SATURDAY, March 9, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.

R. LOWDEN, Agent,
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Pays Four per Cent. Interest per Annum on Deposit, Subject to Check at Sight.

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ACTS AS TRUSTEE FOR ESTATES, and especially for RAILROAD MORTGAGE BONDS.

D. R. MANGAM, President.
B. L. SOLOMON, First Vice-President.
B. F. BANCROFT, Second Vice-President.
JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.

SECOND MORTGAGE 8 PER CENT. CONVERTIBLE BONDS OF THE Indianapolis, Bloomington and Western Railway, AT 80 AND INTEREST.

From the time we first offered these Bonds they have been rapidly taken up by investors, leaving but a small amount now for sale, which, at the present price, we consider a very cheap and desirable security, as the Road is in *successful operation, and earning net more than the interest on all its Bonds.* The business of the Road is rapidly increasing. Over one thousand miles of new roads are now building connecting with and controlled entirely in the interest of this road, all of which will be completed in an early day.

These new roads, it is expected, will add at least fifty per cent to the net receipts of this Company.

We also buy and sell the First Mortgage Seven Per Cent. Gold Bonds of the

INDIANAPOLIS, BLOOMINGTON AND WESTERN ROAD, and those of the PEORIA AND ROCK ISLAND RAILWAY.

STOCKS and BONDS bought and sold on commission.

Accounts of banks, bankers and merchants received.

Four per cent. interest allowed on daily balances.

TURNER BROTHERS,
NO. 14 NASSAU-ST.

John J. Cisco & Son,

BANKERS,

No. 59 Wall-st., New-York.

RECEIVE DEPOSITS subject to check at sight, on which INTEREST is allowed at the rate of FOUR PER CENT. per annum.

Checks drawn on us are received on deposit by all the City banks.

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT issued, payable on demand.

GOVERNMENTS, GOLD, STOCKS and BONDS bought and sold on commission.

New-York Town Bonds, 7 Per Cent., AND Oswego City 7s, FOR SALE BY GEO. OPDYKE & CO., NO. 25 NASSAU-ST.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED by the undersigned, the Mayor of the City of St. Louis, at his office, City Hall, until 12 o'clock noon, of the 25th day of March proxime, for the issuance of

FIVE HUNDRED ST. LOUIS CITY WATER BONDS,

issued by authority of an act "To authorize the City of St. Louis to issue and dispose of additional bonds to enable it to extend and protect its Water-works," approved Feb. 2, 1872.

These bonds are for $1,000 each, to be dated April 1, 1872, having twenty years to run with interest at the rate of six per cent. payable semi-annually on the 1st day of April and October respectively, in gold coin of the United States, in the City of New-York, where the principal is also made payable in gold coin.

The net revenue derived from the Water-works is pledged by law for the redemption of the bonds now offered, both principal and interest, in the same manner as the bonds heretofore issued under the acts approved March 13, 1867, and March 8, 1869.

Bids will be received for any number of the bonds in sums of $5,000 and upward, and the proposals will be publicly opened in the office of the Mayor, on the day and time named.

The Mayor reserves the right to reject any or all bids, if in his opinion, the bids received be not satisfactory.

Proposals must be addressed "Proposals for St. Louis Water Bonds," and addressed to the Mayor.

The law authorizing the issue of the bonds, can be seen by application at the Mayor's office.

Bids must be made payable in the issue of the National Bank Bills, the currency of the United States.

The bonds will be delivered in the City of St. Louis during the month, when and are accepted, upon the 1st day of April, 1872, to be paid for when delivered.

Five per cent. of the amount in money or certified bank check will be required to accompany each bid, to insure compliance with the terms.

JOSEPH BROWN, Mayor.
Attest: JOHN T. FITZWILLIAM, Register.
St. Louis, Feb. 10, 1872.

ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE Scrip or all issues wanted by WM. C. ALLEN, No. 6 Pine-st., corner William-st.

FINANCIAL.

CAIRO & FULTON R. R. CO.

First Mortgage, Sinking Fund, Land-Grant Bonds.

DUE 1911 IN GOLD.

INTEREST 7 PER CENT. GOLD; FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX. PAYABLE JAN. 1 AND JULY 1 IN NEW-YORK.

THE CAIRO AND FULTON RAILROAD is the main artery for travel across the State of Arkansas. It is the continuation of the St. Louis and Iron Mountain Railroad and will connect the two navigable rivers. It will connect the St. Louis roads and the Illinois Central Railroad with the International Railroad, the Southern Pacific Railroad and the Texas system of roads. It is nearly completed, and will be taken from a straight line but six miles. It has no grades over fifteen feet to the mile. It passes through the most thriving counties and the Capital, Little Rock. The Land-Grant of 3,200,000 acres, is one of the most extensive and valuable ever made to any road by Congress." The whole road is under contract for building. About sixty miles are built and track-laying will go on at the rate of a mile and a half a day until the connection of little Rock with St. Louis is completed. The First Mortgage Bonds, $6,000,000 are the first lien upon the road, rolling-stock and lands, and are recommended as a safe investment. The officers are: THOMAS ALLEN, (St. Louis).....President. H. G. MARQUAND, (120 Broadway).....Vice-President. D. W. MCWILLIAMS, (120 Broadway).....Treasurer. W. R. DONALDSON, (at Road).....Secretary.

NEW-YORK DIRECTORS:

H. M. ALEXANDER, HENRY G. MARQUAND, WM. T. BLODGETT, JOHN H. SWIFT, WM. H. ASPINWALL, ALEXIS T. BAR.

The Union Trust Company, Trustee of the Bonds. Price, 87½, and accrued interest in currency. The Company reserves the right to advance the price at any time. Marketable securities received in exchange at full market value. Interest commences on delivery. Maps and pamphlets may be obtained upon application to

H. G. MARQUAND, No. 120 BROADWAY.

Howes & Macy, Bankers,

NO. 30 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,

Offer the same facilities to Depositors as Incorporated Banks, and allow Interest on daily Balances at the rate of Four per Cent.

Collections made on any point at current rates, with immediate returns.

Special attention paid to choice Stock, Bonds, &c., &c., for Investors.

ALL TAXES PAID.

Road Finished and Earning Expenses AND TWICE THE INTEREST.

FULL PAID STOCK.

Connecticut Valley Railroad First Mortgage 7 Per Cent. Bonds.

Price, 95 and Interest.

RECOMMENDED BY

ALLEN, STEPHENS & CO.,

BANKERS, 19 PINE-ST., N. Y.

Send all letters to Post-office Box No. 3,067.

VERMILYE & CO., BANKERS,

16 and 18 Nassau-st., New-York.

DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION RAILWAY STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.

MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

Montclair Railway Company,

NO. 95 NASSAU-ST.

The Coupons and registered interest due March 1, 1872, on the First Mortgage Bonds of this Company, will be paid at the office of Messrs. LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER, No. 10 Wall-st., on and after that date.

H. R. LOW, Treasurer.

VERMILYE & CO.,

NOS. 16 AND 18 NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK.

Offer for sale a limited amount of first-class Investment Securities, as follows:

CITY OF ELIZABETH, N. J., 7 PER CENT. BONDS, DUE IN 1877 AT 94 AND ACCRUED INTEREST.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD BONDS, SECURED BY FIRST MORTGAGE OF ONLY $10,000 PER MILE ON OLD ROAD, PAYING REGULAR DIVIDENDS ON CAPITAL STOCK. PRICE OF BONDS 93 AND ACCRUED INTEREST.

SOUTHERN CENTRAL RAILROAD OF NEW-YORK FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS, ISSUED ONLY AT THE RATE OF $13,000 PER MILE. THIS ROAD IS COMPLETED AND IN SUCCESSFUL OPERATION. PRICE OF BONDS, 90 AND INTEREST.

OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CANADA PACIFIC PURCHASE, No. 57 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, March 1, 1872.

OWNERS OF TRUSTEES' CERTIFICATES for interests in mineral lands on Lake Superior, held in trust by R. R. WARD, EDWARD L. BARNARD, FRANCIS LAZARUS, TOWNSEND BROOKS and A. H. SIBLEY, pursuant to an indenture, dated Nov. 2, 1870, are hereby notified that the said trustees having sold the Jarvis and Woods Locations, embracing about 13,000 acres, including Silver Islet, are prepared to distribute to the parties entitled, the entire capital stock of the Silver Mining Company of Silver Islet, Lake Superior, a corporation formed under the laws of the State of New-York, and to which has been transferred the said Woods Location, including Silver Islet and the mining and other property there. Such distribution to be to holders of Trustees' Certificates at the rate of thirty-six shares of said stock for each and every part or sixteenth hundred represented in or by any such Trustees' Certificates; such distribution to be made agreeably to such form and conditions as shall signify the assent and ratification of said State-holders receiving their due proportion of said shares as aforesaid to the acts of the trustees hitherto in the discharge of their duties under said agreement of Nov. 2, 1870; and shall also modify the existing certificates conformably to the reduced quantity of the estate, and as shall also give authority to the trustees to accept and avail themselves of the charter recently granted to the Canada Pacific Railway Company, and whereby the residue of the estate may be withdrawn from the trust, and be held, managed and transferred by such corporation; the shares whereof when issued to be distributed ratably among the certificate-holders.

The number of the shares so to be distributed will be made to holders of Trustees' Certificates as aforesaid upon the books of the Company, at the close of business on the 14th day of March next, or such duly constituted attorneys, only on presentation of their said certificates and concurrence in aforesaid requirements.

The books for transferred certificates will be closed from the said date to the said 14th March.

EDWARD LEARNED, Treasurer.

ELECTION NOTICE.—STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY.—The annual election for twenty-five Directors, and three Trustees of the Stuyvesant Insurance Company, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 128 Pearl-st., on TUESDAY, March 14, 1872. Poll opened at 12 m. and closed at 1 o'clock P. M.

GEO. R. RHOADS, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

AN UNDOUBTED SECURITY

PAYING 60 PER CENT. MORE INCOME THAN GOVERNMENT BONDS, AND 9 1-2 Per Cent. on the Investment.

FIRST MORTGAGE SINKING FUND GOLD BONDS OF THE

Logansport, Crawfordsville and South-Western Railway of Indiana.

THEY BEAR 8 PER CENT. GOLD INTEREST, PAYABLE QUARTERLY IN NEW-YORK, FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX, AND ARE COUPON AND REGISTERED.

The issue is limited to $16,000 per mile, in denominations of $1,000, $500 and $100.

This Road, 92 miles long, affords the shortest existing outlet to Chicago, Toledo, Detroit, Fort Wayne, Logansport and intermediate points for the celebrated Block and Bituminous Coals of Parke County; as also, for the large surplus products of the rich agricultural and mineral section of the State which it traverses.

For the present we are offering these Bonds at 95, and accrued interest in currency, or will exchange them for Government Bonds, or other marketable securities, at the rates of the day.

Further and full particulars, with pamphlets and maps, furnished by us on personal or written application.

JONES & SCHUYLER,

NO. 12 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.

FINANCIAL AGENTS OF THE COMPANY.

THE MOST DESIRABLE NEW-YORK SECURITY ON THE MARKET.

MIDLAND FIRST MORTGAGE 7 Per Cent. Gold Bonds.

Denominations of $100, $500, $1,000,

AT PAR AND INTEREST.

Of this great trunk line to the West upward of 340 Miles Are In Operation,

and its ENTIRE COMPLETION CONTRACTED FOR BY JULY 1. Toward its construction nearly $8,000,000 IN CASH HAS BEEN FURNISHED BY SUBSCRIPTION TO ITS STOCK AT PAR.

This road will possess equal advantages for local and through business with any of the great trunk lines from New-York, some of which are paying good dividends on three times the cost of the Midland.

The mortgage is only $20,000 to the mile.

As an evidence of their appreciation by the public, these Bonds are being absorbed about as rapidly as the Company are authorized to issue them.

Marketable securities taken in exchange at market rates.

GEORGE OPDYKE & CO.,
NO. 25 NASSAU-ST.

A Safe Investment, Paying 11 1-4 Per Cent. Per Annum.

BONDS OF GREENE CO., STATE OF MISSOURI, (which county includes Springfield, the largest and most flourishing city in the State south of St. Louis.)

Above Bonds mature in 19 years; rate of interest, 8 per cent., payable semi-annually, Feb. and Aug., at National Park Bank, New-York; price, 80c. and accrued interest.

Pamphlets, &c., with full particulars, or any further information furnished, upon application, either personally or by letter.

GWYNNE, JOHNSON & DAY,
Bankers, No. 16 Wall-st., New-York.

FIRST-CLASS CITY AND COUNTY BONDS, PAYING 10 and 13 per Cent.

CHOICE SECURITIES, PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN NEW-YORK, AT A LARGE REDUCTION BELOW PAR, FOR SALE BY

Albert H. Nicolay,

Banker, Stock Broker and Auctioneer, No. 42 Pine-st.

N. B.—Choice Municipal, Corporate and other Investment Securities strictly first class, paying 10 to 20 per cent. interest, a specialty with this house for many years, and always kept on hand for sale at the lowest market rates.

MIDLAND BONDS

New-York Midland R. R. 1st Mortgage.
New-York Midland R. R. 2d Mortgage Convertible.
New-Jersey Midland R. R. 1st Mortgage Guaranteed.
Montclair R. R. 1st Mortgage Guaranteed.

Allen, Stephens & Co.,

BANKERS,

19 PINE-ST.

WALKER, ANDREWS & CO.,

BANKERS, NO. 14 WALL-ST.,

ANDREWS & CO., PARIS.

Sterling Exchange and Travelers' and Commercial Credits on Union Bank of London.

Franc do. on Paris House.

Bonds, Stocks and Gold bought and sold on commission.

Loans negotiated. Deposits received at interest.

SAMUEL A. GAYLORD & CO., BROKERS,

In Western Securities, No. 32 Wall-st., New-York, and No. 322 North 3d-st., St. Louis, who offer for sale a limited amount of unquestionably good securities, as follows:

MISSOURI.

Cole County Railroad 10s.
Sedalia City Water 10s.
Sedalia City Improvement 10s.
Cape Girardeau City Railroad 8s.
Marshfield School 10s.

KANSAS.

City of Chetopa Bridge 10s.
City of Chetopa Funding 10s.
Columbus School 10s.

NEBRASKA.

Lincoln County Bridge 10s.

Information furnished. Correspondence solicited.

JOHN MUNROE & CO.,

BANKERS,

NO. 8 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,

ISSUE CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT FOR TRAVELERS ON THE CONSOLIDATED BANK, LONDON, AND ON MUNROE & CO., PARIS, EXCHANGE ON LONDON AND PARIS.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE IN all PARTS of the WORLD.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, WASHINGTON, Dec. 27, 1871.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL persons who may have claims against the Ocean National Bank of the City of New-York, N. Y., that they are called upon to present the same, and to make legal proof thereof to THEODORE M. DAVIS, receiver, at the office of said bank, at the City of New-York.

H. R. MULBURY, Comptroller of the Currency.

LOST OR DESTROYED.—CERTIFICATE No. 2,894, dated Jan. 14, 1864, for five shares of the capital stock of the Central National Bank of this City, standing in the name of Lucy Sellers. Transfer has been stopped, and application made for a new certificate.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

A.....BEAUTIFUL DEARBORN, TWO seasons, and very little used; also one Coupe; one six-seat rockaway, one four and six-seat rockaways, one two-seat and one two-seat top wagon; also, one set of single harness, one set of pony harness, all made by Hyzer, Smith, and best City builders. Apply to J. CUELEN, No. 106 East 13th-st., near Second-ave., rear stable.

FOR SALE—GRAY HORSE, SEVENteen hands high; sound and kind, fit for any use; coupé and harness; with 200 chicks. Apply to No. 47 West 20th-st., between Sixth-ave. and Broadway, private stable.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

NO. 26 WEST 12TH-ST., WITH BOARD—A handsome parlor and bedroom, for a family or party of gentlemen, including piano; also other rooms; best of references given; a few table boarders can be accommodated.

$7 PER WEEK AND UPWARD FOR GENTLEMEN, with board and lodging, at the Genoa House, No. 126 Hudson-st., corner of Laight. Watchman all night.

SUPERIOR ACCOMMODATIONS FOR GENTLEMEN.—One large, well-furnished room, well calculated for two or three, now vacant; terms moderate; location; no nursing. No. 806 Broadway, near 17th-st.

FIRST-CLASS ROOMS AND BOARD AT Nos. 21 and 23 Columbia-st., Brooklyn, with advantages of Turkish baths, if desired; three minutes' walk from Fulton Ferry.

NO. 69 MADISON-AV., BETWEEN 37TH and 38th sts.—A suite of very pleasant front rooms on the second, and a small room on the third floor, with board; house and location first-class.

NO. 227 EAST 31ST-ST.—A PRIVATE family will let a suite of rooms on second floor, large and well furnished, with or without board; gentlemen preferred.

BOARDING.—TWENTY-THIRD-ST.—TWO rooms, one large and one small, nicely, to let, with board, at No. 128 East 23d-st.; also, two back rooms on the same floor, suitable for families.

TO RENT.—A HANDSOMELY FURNISHED large room suitable for one or two gentlemen; also, a ball bedroom; private family; references. No. 77 West 18th-st.

NO. 222 WEST 40TH-ST.—HANDSOMELY furnished rooms to rent, without board, to adults; no objection to light housekeeping. Call all the week.

A SUITE OF ROOMS, SUNNY AND pleasant, third story, front, furnished for light housekeeping; rent moderate. Call at No. 405 West 30th-st.

TO HOTEL-KEEPERS.—TO LEASE for a hotel, three large houses communicating, in the immediate vicinity of Union Square; buildings and location unsurpassed. Apply at the living-place.

A FURNISHED SITTING-ROOM AND bedroom, to gentlemen only, in the home of a private family, 26 West 11th-st., between 5th and 6th-ave.

NO. 2 WEST 33RD-ST.—A SUITE OF handsomely furnished rooms on second floor, with board.

NO. 216 WEST 34TH-ST.—TO LET, with board, a pleasant hall-room to a gentleman; references required.

NO. 136 WEST 16TH-ST.—TO LET, with board, a second-story front room, to gentleman and wife or one or two gentlemen.

NO. 7 LAFAYETTE-PLACE.—VERY desirable rooms, with board, on moderate terms; also, table-boarders accommodated.

NO. 31 MADISON-AV.—BACK ROOMS with sunny exposure, at moderate prices.

NO. 18 WEST 14TH-ST.—DESIRABLE rooms to let, with board; references exchanged.

FINANCIAL.

DESIRABLE

HOME SECURITIES.

THE FIRST MORTGAGE 7 PER CENT. GOLD BONDS OF THE

WALLKILL VALLEY RAILWAY COMPANY

Are offered for sale at 90 and accrued interest, in currency,

BY

MEAD & CLARK,

FINANCIAL AGENTS,

NO. 141 BROADWAY,

AND

ERASTUS F. MEAD,

BANKER,

CORNER 9TH-ST. AND 3D-AV.

By exchanging United States Bonds for the Bonds of the WALLKILL VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY, you increase your income over 40 per cent., and your principal about 25 per cent., and get a security EQUALLY SAFE.

BANKING HOUSE OF Geo. Opdyke & Co. 25 Nassau-St. CORNER OF CEDAR-ST.

FOUR PER CENT. INTEREST allowed on current accounts, subject to check at sight.

FIRST INVESTMENTS for trust and other funds always on hand.

INVESTMENT ORDERS promptly executed for Government, Gold, Bonds and other Securities.

COMMISSIONERS WANTED ON CHICAGO, KEOKUK, DES MOINES, IOWA CITY, ST. JOSEPH, and other points in the Western States.

DES MOINES VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY.

There will be a meeting of the Land Grant Bondholders of the Des Moines Valley Railroad Company, purposing to be secured under deed of trust, dated Oct. 1, 1868, at No. 25 William-st., Room No. 6, City of New-York, on the 13th day of March, 1872, at 12 o'clock M., to adopt such measures in relation to their bonds as in their judgment will best promote their interest.

W. S. GILMAN, N. A. COWDREY, } Trustees.

NEW-YORK, March 1, 1872.

DIVIDENDS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a dividend or distributive payment of sixty cents on the dollar of the debts of The Lorillard Fire Insurance Company, will be made among all those creditors of the said Company who have exhibited their claims as creditors, and whose debts have been ascertained as follows:

First—All debts entitled to a preference under the laws of the United States.

Second—Judgments actually obtained against the said Company to the extent of the value of the real estate on which they shall respectively be a lien; and

Third—All other creditors of such Company in proportion to their respective demands, without giving any preference to debts due on specialities.

Office for payment, No. 319 Broadway, New-York City. Hours of payment between 10 A. M. and 3 P. M. of each day.

CARLISLE NORWOOD, Receiver.

NORWOOD & COGGESHALL, Attorneys for Receiver.

Dated NEW-YORK, Feb. 15, 1872.

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.—NOTICE IS hereby given that the undersigned, Receivers of the Market Fire Insurance Company, will pay a first dividend of THIRTY-FIVE CENTS on the dollar to those creditors of said Company who have exhibited their claims as creditors, whose said claims have been ascertained and adjusted at his office, No. 37 Wall-st., in the City of New-York, on and after the 20th day of February, 1872, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. of each day. Dated, Feb. 21, 1872.

HENRY P. FREEMAN, Receiver of the Market Fire Insurance Company.

STEPHEN W. GAINES, Attorney for Receiver.

SAVINGS BANKS.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,

NO. 96 WARREN-ST., NEW-YORK.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST allowed on all sums.

Interest commences from 1st of January, April, July and October. Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.

VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK.

Nos. 336 and 338 Canal-st., corner Laight.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST ON $5 to $5,000.

ASSETS, $10,215,205 16.

STATIONERY.

WM. F. LYON & SON, STATIONERS, Blank-book

NEW-YORK CUSTOM-HOUSE.

Testimony of Gen. Babcock Before the Congressional Committee.

He Did not Interfere in any Contract or "General Order System," or Any Other Business Connected with the Custom-House—The Sun Strongly Endorsed.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Gen. BABCOCK was before the Committee on Investigation today, and was examined about two hours and a half. There was probably no one present in the Committee-room who had in the beginning any shade in the belief which Mr. GREELEY declared under oath he had, that Gen. BABCOCK had a share in the profits of the General Order business, but if there were any such they must have had that belief pretty well overturned before he closed his testimony. On all points relating to the "mess," his evidence agreed with Gen. PORTER'S, and it is clear enough to everybody now that that terribly corrupt combination was no more than an arrangement between young army officers, to reduce their expenses of living. Gens. PORTER and BABCOCK, their two wives and LEET were the only five persons to be provided for, and one-fifth the whole expense paid by LEET when present was less than $60 per month. Gen. BABCOCK, like Gen. PORTER, knew nothing of LEET'S arrangement with BIXBY. He never interested himself with LEET'S business to the extent of inquiring how the latter would get along if he resigned his position in the army. If he had never interested himself to secure an appointment in the New-York Custom-house, as he proved by a letter, in which he told Mr. MURPHY he should recommend nobody, As the Committee have been directed to examine into the Sanaka Bay frauds, they took the occasion of having Gen. BABCOCK before them to ask him some questions about that. It appeared that he went to San Domingo for a specific purpose, which having accomplished, he returned, and since has had nothing to do with any scheme in connection with it. He knows nothing of any money having been paid for the benefit of any minor, that time. Most of the time the General was before the Committee was occupied by cross-examination by Messrs. BAYARD and CASSERLY. Mr. BAYARD'S conduct of the cross-examination, though of a pretty wide range, was courteous and gentlemanly; but Cassery, as usual, behaved like a pettifogger. He in the way he never discovered that notwithstanding Gen. BABCOCK discharges the duties of several positions he draws only his ordinary major's pay, and has no pecuniary of any kind besides. Geo. W. WEBB, JOHN BENNET, and Mr. TOWNLEY, of New-York were summoned to appear before the Committee next Monday, and on the following Wednesday Mr. THOMAS MURPHY, WILLIAM ORTON, A. H. LAPLIN, and Col. FRANK E. HOWE, will appear.

Serious injustice has been done Gen. PORTER, in the blundering manner in which his testimony was telegraphed and printed. The person whom he testified as having but a speaking acquaintance with, and as having met but two or three times, was STOCKING, and not LEET. His testimony of his knowledge of LEET will be found to coincide with that given on the previous examination.

Standing Report of the Examination Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—Evening—The New-York Custom-house Investigating Committee resumed its session this afternoon. A communication was received from A. G. PAGE, of Bath, Me., complaining of wrongs inflicted by the Custom-house officials in the matter of importations, seizures and compromises, and asking for an investigation. A conversation took place as to whether the Committee could examine into matters other than those connected with the New-York Custom-house. The Committee came to no conclusion, but Mr. BAYARD, who presented the paper, withdrew the same, saying he would ask the Senate to authorize the Committee to consider it.

GEN. BABCOCK'S EVIDENCE.

Gen. BABCOCK was then sworn. He testified he was a Major in the corps of Army Engineers; he was on duty with the President as a Secretary, and, since July last, has been in charge of public buildings and grounds, and is engineer of the Potomac aqueduct.

To a question by Mr. CASSERLY, Gen. BABCOCK said he was aware the newspapers had asserted that Col. LEET was engaged in the General Order business in such a way as implicated President GRANT and members of the Administration. He was asked Gen. BABCOCK whether he had any knowledge of the General Order business, and how Col. LEET had secured it? He had also been intimated that these transactions had, or have, no small pecuniary interest in the matter.

Gen. BABCOCK replied: "I have no interest whatever in the General Order business with LEET, STOCKING, or any other person, nor have I received a single cent in any way or shape from it; nor have I made any arrangement to receive any benefit or interest from any Custom-house officers." He knew Col. LEET before the Grant Administration; he was a member of his and Gen. PORTER'S mess in the Spring of 1869. He did not at that time have knowledge of his (Leet's) interest in the General Order business, though he knew it under the discussion of the report of Mr. PATTERSON'S Retrenchment Committee. Col. LEET never paid more than one-fifth of the expenses of the mess. He became acquainted with Mr. LEET during the Spring of 1864. He was then Assistant Adjutant-General, with the rank of Major, and LEET was a Major. That was when he (BABCOCK) joined the Staff of Lieut.-Gen. GRANT.

In answer to Senator BAYARD'S cross-examination, Gen. BABCOCK said he was still an officer in the Engineer Corps, and was detailed as Secretary to the President, which place he now held; he drew pay as a Major of Engineers, with ten years' service; before he was on duty as one of GRANT'S staff, and had Colonel's pay; he drew only one pay now, that of a Major of Engineers; he knew LEET intended to get into some business, and from what LEET said, he had the idea that he (LEET) had thought of going into the warehouse business, and LEET might have practiced the General Order business; he had no idea of what the General Order business was; he had never had a conversation on the opposition of GREELEY, that the latter was to be appointed Collector of the Port of New-York; he thought the general letter of introduction written by GRANT to LEET was written a few days before that appointment, and that its date showed that fact; on returning from New-York LEET said GREELEY had treated him very kindly; LEET spoke of this only in a general way; LEET was not to his knowledge a man of fortune, but might have had something more than his pay as an officer of the army; he did not see anything when LEET messed with him to show he had an increase of income.

In answer to a question whether the witness knew LEET was drawing $600 a month as a sinecure at that time, BABCOCK replied of this he knew nothing except from reports. He had first met Mr. LINDSAY during the last year of the late war, and did not remember meeting him again until the close of the war; he afterward saw him in New-York; he thought that as LINDSAY had been civil to him, he would, if occasion arose, reciprocate his kindness to himself and others of the staff; he could not say whether he next saw LINDSAY in New-York or Washington; he thought he saw him on the same boat coming to Washington in 1864; he would not positively say he saw LINDSAY in 1864 to talk to; he did not remember writing any communication to LINDSAY, except in returning his thanks for having sent him some trout; LINDSAY had never been at his house or private rooms; he did remember seeing him at the Executive Mansion once.

Mr. BAYARD asked Gen. BABCOCK to look at the letter handed to him. Gen. BABCOCK said it was written by him, but he did not recollect that he had done so until just reminded of the fact. He read the letter, as follows:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 21, 1869.

MY DEAR LINDSAY: Your letter reached me today. It is just as I expected. I sent it simply to show you how people presume upon others. By the same mail I received the indorsed. I do not intend to answer such assumption; or if at all, in a short, curt note. You need have no fears of their imposing upon me. I shall be pleased to do whatever I can for your friends, when I know what you want, to reciprocate your kindness to me. I am alone in my glory. Gen. PORTER will be back to-morrow. Remember me kindly to LEET, PARKER and the gentlemen in your house. Hoping to hear from you when I can be of any service, I am yours truly,

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The Chairman asserted whether the witness knew of any one who had received money on account of Samana Bay.

Gen. BABCOCK replied that he did not. Being further interrogated, he knew of no American citizen who was interested in railroads in San Domingo, but Mr. SULLIVAN informed him that he (SULLIVAN) was going to Monte Cristo; he believed that SULLIVAN represented other parties; he knew of one American citizen who entered into the banking business in San Domingo; he was Mr. FRANCIS SMITH; he failed; he did not know of anybody to be benefited by bad grants in the event of annexation; he knew that a gentleman had a surveying contract, otherwise than relating to his interest in the Samana Bay; he could not say that SULLIVAN did not hold an official position, which may have been supplied by the Secretary of State.

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MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

City Chamberlain's Office—Statement and Examination.

The following is a statement by City Chamberlain PARKER A. PALMER of the receipts and payments of the City Treasury, Sinking Funds and County Treasury of the City and County of New-York for the year 1871:

CITY TREASURY.

Receipts.		
From bonds, stock, special accounts	$10,000,000 00	
From taxes	18,104,379 32	$48,604,379 32
Amount previously reported		$1,493,330 19
Total		$49,097,709 51
Payments.		
On trust funds, special accounts	$26,287,347 94	
On appropriation accounts	$17,326,196 70	$43,613,544 64
Balance in City Treasury Dec. 30, 1871		$5,484,164 87
SINKING FUND FOR PAYMENT OF CITY DEBT.		
Balance from last account		$948,161 47
Receipts.		
From interest on debt paid out	$1,490,200 00	
From annual installments	155,429 00	
From revenues of the fund and interest on invest'ments	2,442,124 21	3,587,753 21
Total		$4,535,914 68
Payments.		
Water stock of 1850 paid off	$189,600 00	
Amount of business paid over to Board of Apportionment	304,598 79	
Invested in bonds and stocks	3,039,303 54	
Advertising, exterior building on leased lots, counsel fees, &c.	69,955 33	3,603,457 66
Balance to credit of this account Dec. 30, 1871		$932,456 02
SINKING FUND FOR PAYMENT OF INTEREST ON CITY DEBT.		
Balance to the credit of this account Dec. 31, 1870		$95,128 21
Received from the revenues of this fund		1,138,757 60
Total		$1,233,885 81
Payments.		
For interest on the City Debt	$808,784 61	
For surplus revenues transferred to City Treasury	600,000 00	1,408,784 61
Balance to credit of this account Dec. 30, 1871		$182,084 72
COUNTY TREASURY.		
Balance to credit of this account, Dec. 31, 1870		$1,602,694 06
Receipts.		
On taxes	$9,928,331 26	
On bonds, stocks, trust and special accounts	14,595,821 62	24,524,152 88
Total		$26,126,846 94
Payments.		
On special and trust accounts	$15,527,276 67	
On appropriation accounts	9,985,514 77	25,462,789 44
Balance to credit of this account, Dec. 30, 1871		$664,057 50
The following recapitulation of the above statement will inform the public of the amounts of money passing through the hands of the City Chamberlain yearly:		
Balances, Dec. 31, 1870—		
County	$1,602,694 06	
Sinking Fund redemption	948,161 47	
Sinking Fund interest	95,128 21	$2,645,983 68
Receipts.		
City Treasury	$49,097,709 51	
County Treasury	25,524,152 88	
Sinking Fund Redemption	4,535,914 68	
Sinking Fund Interest	1,138,757 60	$79,297,534 67
		$79,625,518 11
Amount overdrawn on City Treasury Dec. 31, 1870	$1,493,330 19	
Payments.		
City Treasury	$49,097,709 51	
County Treasury	25,462,789 44	
Sinking Fund Redemption	4,535,914 68	
Sinking Fund Interest	1,138,757 60	$79,630,168 23
Balances Dec. 30, 1871		$6,495,785 21

Claims to be Presented to the Board of Audit Today.

The following is a detailed list of the claims to be presented at today's meeting of the Board of Audit, complete up to 6 o'clock last evening:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC CHARITIES AND CORRECTION.

Butchers' Hide and Melting Association, bills from Jan. 21 to July 2, 1871, for tallow | $32 00
Boyle & French, bills for Aug. 14, 1871, for crockery, &c. | 100 00
G. Brewer & Co., bills from Aug. 9, 1871, to Aug. 16, 1871, for shootings | 1,046 02
Brunyes, Ockershausen & Co., bill of Aug. 4, 1871, for sugar | 149 73
Bernhard & Stonebrooker, bills from Aug. 4 to Aug. 17, 1871, for cutlery, hardware, &c. | 87 88
John S. Conklin & Co., bill from July 7 to Aug. 16, 1871, for lightning | 200 00
H. B. Cone & Co., bills from June 22 to Aug. 2, 1871, for tea | 120 62
Colgate & Co., bill of Aug. 16, 1871, for soap | 570 02
Peter Cooper, glue factory, bill of July 21, 1871, for glue | 21 00
De Groot & Peck, bills from July 3 to Aug. 17, 1871, for dry goods | 56 04
A. L. De Camp, bills from May 25 to July 28, 1871, for peas, beans, &c. | 134 26
A. D. Gardner, bill of May 11 from May 16 to Aug. 16, 1871, for glass | 74 02
Charles R. Fowler & Bros., bill of Aug. 27, 1871, for rice | 159 60
Hall River Iron Works Company, bills from March 29 to May 26, 1871, for nails | 600 20
Horace Hayden, bills from July 13 to Aug 17, 1871, for rope, &c. | 231 62
R. Hoghtaling, bill of Aug. 2, 1871, for syringes | 44 10
R. H. Howell, Son & Co., bills from July 19 to Aug. 17, 1871, for syrup | 556 76
Roy's Bros., bills from June 16 to Aug. 16, 1871, for leather | 278 48
Thomas Hayes & Co., bills from April 12 to July 22, 1871, for chairs, &c. | 133 50
William Harvey, bills from May 11 to May 26, 1871, for twine | 36 01
Kemp, Terry & Co., bills from July 28 to Aug. 19, 1871, for canned fruits, &c. | 149 70
Murphy & Co., bills from April 25 to June 1, 1871, for iron grates, &c. | 21 22
Murphy & Co., bills from Aug. 2 to Aug. 19, 1871, for lime, cement, &c. | 176 05
Manhattan Feed Mill Company, bill to Aug. 1, 1871, meal | 31 00
J. B. Monteith, bill of Aug. 4, 1871, for brooms, &c. | 97 68
The manufacturing stationers, bills April 7 to 17, 1871, stationery | 66 60
The New-York Star, advertising, July 19, 1871 | 42 00
Powers & Weightman, bills from Aug. 3 to 21, 1871, drugs | 227 60
New-York Mercury, advertising, Oct. 3 to 15, 1871 | 11 00
S. H. Pierce & Co., drugs, &c. Aug. 12, 1871 | 21 60
Pierson & Co., iron and steel, Aug. 7 to 18, 1871 | 102 56
E. & R. Pollion, oak buckets, Feb. 17 to Aug. 12, 1871 | 34 40
Thomas Howe & Sons, Hansel oil, July 28 to Aug. 17, 1871 | 158 88
Ed. H. Squibb, drugs, Aug. 4 to 16, 1871 | 55 40
The Singer Manufacturing Company, thread, needles, &c., June 24 to Aug. 31, 1871 | 199 50
D. F. Tiemann & Co., paints, June 15 to Aug. 18, 1871 | 115 50
James M. Thorburn & Co., seeds, May 12 to July 24, 1871 | 42 60
Vandervoort & Fitch, hay, straw, &c., July 17 to 24 | 114 43
Vandeville Bros., garden implements, &c., June 9 to July 20 | 62 81
Woodward Steam Pump Manufacturing Company, repairs pipes, &c., Aug. 9 to 19, 1871 | 49 05

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Corporate Schools—Annual apportionment—Amount due Nov. 1, 1871 | $95,655 94

MISCELLANEOUS.

Jennings & Brown, Dec. 30, 1871, balance of contract new Lunatic Asylum—Building	$11,621 40
Dec. 6, extra work	1,504 94
Nov. 4, extra work, Bellevue Hospital	245 00
C. W. Lawrence, contingencies Controller's Office, Aug. 28 to Dec. 31	147 95
Poor witnesses, attending Oyer and Terminer and General Sessions Courts month of December	422 00
R. Graves, survey of paving	1,104 00
Board of Commissioners Public Charities and Correction, rent quarter ending December 31	277,659 65
Thomas E. Davis, rent to November, 1871, for office 3 first floor building Nos. 32 and 34 Nassau-street, occupied by G. S. Bedford, City Judge	300 00
Board of Education, rent roll November and December	17,625 21
James B. Whiting, rent premises foot of Thirty-third street and East River, to Dec. 1, three months	750 00
John L. Bryan, rent premises foot of Forty-sixth street and East River, three months to Dec. 1, 1871	750 00
A. D. Gardner, rent	4,921 40
John W. Cromp, fireworks, reception of Irish exiles, Feb. 5, 1871	1,017 00
John E. Loverich, repairing sundry streets from June 15 to Aug. 31	25,385 00
Wm. L. Bryan, Jr., furnishing vitrified pipe materials, Dec. 13 to 23	20,534 29
W. Nelson, Jr., furnishing vitrified pipe materials, Dec. 13 to 23	19,759 00
S. T. Wood & Co., repairs and alterations in Department of Public Charities and Correction in 1871	125 00
John Tilton, expenses of equipment, insurance, &c.	86 00
T. W. Ness & Co., stationery for County, expired 24 to Nov. 27, 1871	3,002 00
To office of Receiver of Taxes, from Jan. 4 to March 25	3,244 00
To same office Oct. 4 to 11	1,033 00
Patrick Barnes, repairing and cleaning wells, Feb. 1 to 28	114 00
From March 6 to 22	361 00
John T. Conover, materials furnished Washington Ward's Island, Nov. 15	10,449 71

Controller's Office—Pay for City Laborers.

Controller GREEN was at his office yesterday busily engaged in making all the necessary preparations to pay the City laborers and others drawing their salaries from the City Treasury, and he has deputized his "paymaster" to pay the men on the line of the Croton Aqueduct alterations, their pay up to Feb. 15. The men number 1,100, and the amount to be disbursed is about $31,000.

Board of Public Instruction—The School Teachers to be Paid.

The Board of Public Instruction met yesterday. Among the communications received was one from the Controller, stating that the Audit Board had apportioned the Department the sum of $900,100, and $40,000 for the New-York College. Tuesday next was appointed for the ceremony of laying the foundation stone for the new Normal College, which is to occupy the whole of the block from Sixty-ninth to Sixty-ninth streets, and from Lexington to Fourth avenue. The report of the Committee on Finance, Mr. RIDDLE, was read, by which it appeared that the discipline and teaching of the schools were excellent, but that the payment of the teachers was the greatest blunder ever committed.

Grand Jury Discharged—Indictments Returned.

The Grand Jury of the Court of General Sessions has been discharged until the 12th inst. The Grand Jury of the Court of Oyer and Terminer came into Court yesterday and presented a large number of indictments for various offenses. Among them were thirty-two indictments against proprietors of unlicensed boarding-houses and four for manslaughter. The boarding-house keepers are indicted for misdemeanor in not taking out a license from the Board of Commissioners. Many of the persons indicted do not keep boarding-houses, but simply use the sign to mislead their real calling. After the indictments were handed in the Court adjourned till today, and the Grand Jury was discharged until Monday.

NEW-YORK AND SUBURBAN NEWS.

NEW-YORK.

The Twenty-fifth anniversary of the First Baptist Mariner's Sunday School will take place this evening.

A wrestling match for $1,000 is to be arranged in this City, to-morrow, between McLAUGHLIN and HOMER LANE.

MARGARET McGARRY, aged sixty-three, of No. 302 East Eighty-first-street, fell down stairs yesterday and was seriously injured.

Controller GREEN yesterday paid the "large-pipe" men of the Croton Department, $21,606, wages up to the 15th of February.

Rev. MATTHEW HALE SMITH will deliver a lecture this evening, in the Mendon-street Baptist Church, on "Old Times and Our Times."

Three blocks of ice, twenty-three inches thick, were exhibited on Broadway, near Fulton-street, yesterday, having been received from Croton Lake.

NELSON PETERSON, an inmate of the Almshouse on Blackwell's Island, died yesterday from injuries received by accidentally falling down stairs.

Some miscreants entered the shed of F. PLANDER, of Greenwich-street, and stabbed his mare. The animal was killed, yesterday, to end her sufferings.

An association is forming in this City composed of persons born in, or formerly residents of, the State of Maine. There are several thousand of them here.

GEORGE McDONALD, the famous Scotch-English novelist, has been engaged to lecture for the Mercantile Library Association in this City next season.

A regular meeting of the Democratic Reform Club of the Fourth Assembly District will be held in their club-room, No. 165 East Broadway, this evening.

Mrs. UTIE BROOKER will lecture at Cooper Institute, this evening, on "What I Know about Free Love," being in opposition to Mrs. WOODHULL'S "Free Love" lecture.

ANNA RIELEY was committed at Jefferson Market yesterday on a charge of stealing bank-notes and securities for $1,500 from JAMES JOHNSON, a commercial traveler.

In the Yorkville Police Court, yesterday, SARAH McVEY was committed on a charge of stealing a gold watch belonging to Mrs. TERESA O'NEIL, No. 587 Seventh-avenue.

GEORGE BOTTS was taken before Justice LEDWITH yesterday, charged with abandoning his wife and two children. He was directed to pay $5 per week for their support.

A committee of jewelers went to Albany, yesterday, to oppose the bill now before the Assembly on the ground that its provisions, if passed, would be detrimental to their trade.

Tuesday night, WM. CLARY, of No. 463 Washington-street, was assaulted by three men at his residence, and badly beaten. CLARY was sent to Bellevue Hospital, and his assailants escaped.

The Nineteenth Assembly District Republican Association met last evening. Alderman MARTIN spoke in favor of Reform, and declared himself in favor of paying $3 50 per day to the laborers.

JOHN WALKER and JOHN BUTTERWORTH, the ticket-of-leave men confined at Police Head quarters, were released yesterday, and placed in charge of the Commissioners of Emigration.

JAMES VIVIE, aged thirty-five years, attempted suicide yesterday by cutting his arm. Dr. SAVILLE, upon attending him, discovered that he had the varioloid, and ordered him sent to hospital.

Hon. HOOPER C. VAN VORST lectured last evening on "Ben. Franklin," before the Working Men's Club of the First Ward, at the free reading-room, No. 207 Greenwich-street. The house was well filled.

OWEN HAMILTON, fifty-four years of age, jumped out of the third-story window of his residence, No. 222 West Sixteenth-street, on Saturday night last, and was so seriously injured that he died yesterday.

A gentleman, yesterday afternoon, fell into the slip from the Charleston steam-boat pier. He was rescued by a laboring man, who received the liberal reward of twenty-five cents from the person rescued.

In the case of JAMES WOODS against The Church for the Disciples of Christ, reported in yesterday's TIMES, the jury failed to agree, and were discharged. They stood eleven for the plaintiff and one for the defendants.

The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick have elected the following officers: Hon. J. K. BRADY, President; James Stuart, First Vice-President; Thos. Barbour, Second Vice-President; M. Whiteside, Treasurer, and S. O. A. Murphy, Secretary.

The Treasurer of the German Savings Bank reports that the deposits at the bank during the past month amounted to $381,481 33; the payments amounted to $298,214 33; surplus of deposits, $43,268. The bank capital amounts to $3,005,165 12.

The body of an unknown man, aged about thirty years, was brought to the Morgue last night. Height five feet seven inches, had brown hair and sandy moustache, black overcoat, blue jacket, brown pantaloons, black vest and white shirt.

The remains of the man who was run over and killed in Eleventh-avenue, near Fifty-third-street, by a Hudson River Railroad freight-train, have been identified as those of PHILLIP SMITH, a stone cutter, of No. 247 West Seventeenth-street.

A gentlemanly-dressed man, supposed to be H. S. RICH, aged about twenty-two years, was found last night in an insensible condition at the corner of Seventh-avenue and Fifty-first-street, and taken to the Reception Hospital in an ambulance.

Controller GREEN said, yesterday, in reference to the probable deficit of $7,000,000 or $8,000,000, that it is his opinion the money should be raised by additional taxation rather than by an increase of bonds and the consequent increase of the City debt.

A dispute arose, last evening, in a saloon at No. 216 West-street, between the proprietor, HENRY BRYDGES, and THOMAS BYRNES, of No. 462 Washington-street, during which BRYDGES struck BYRNES on the head with a club, causing a severe wound.

BERTRAM A. GREEN, who was brought before Judge BLATCHFORD on Monday, his discharge from the navy being sought on the ground that he was a minor, was discharged by the Judge yesterday, on returning the $20 advance and the clothing he had received.

The sales-room of the Grover & Baker Sewing-machine Company has been removed to the north-east corner of Broadway and Tenth-street, in consequence of the upward tendency of retail trade. The old store near Broome-street was occupied for fourteen years.

CHARLES DEVLIN was committed yesterday, by Justice DOWLING, on a charge of being one of a party of three who robbed Mr. SAMUEL JACOBS, of No. 240 East Thirtieth-street, on Saturday last, of a valuable diamond pin, and a pocket-book containing a small sum of money.

The horse disease is still making havoc in some of the car and stage line stables. A few cases of the disease among horses belonging to stages fell in Broadway yesterday, and one disease. A block more belonging to Dr. BAILEY, of Worcester, fell in Lexington-avenue and died within two days.

An inquest was held, yesterday, in the case of JAMES EAGAN, aged ten, of No. 517 East Fifteenth-street, whose death was reported to have resulted from violence at the hands of his step-father. The evidence showed that death resulted from meningitis, and a verdict to that effect was rendered.

CHARLES COOLEY, a colored man, of No. 38 Fall-street, came to the Leonard-street Police Station yesterday suffering from a pistol shot wound which he received while attending a ball at Jersey City on Tuesday night. He was attended by Police Surgeon ORTON, and sent to Park Hospital.

In the case of WOOD vs. WOOD, wherein the wife seeks a divorce on the ground of cruelty, a motion made yesterday before Judge INGRAHAM, on behalf of the plaintiff, for a counsel fee, was denied. The defendant denies all the allegations of cruelty charged by his wife, including the charge of throwing a bone at her.

JOHN ANWO, a Chinaman, who was found guilty at a former Term of the United States Circuit Court of stabbing SIDNEY BALDWIN, one of the crew of the brig *Thomas Owen*, was brought before Judge BENEDICT yesterday for sentence. The Judge thought the prisoner had been sufficiently punished by his imprisonment, and discharged him.

The following sudden deaths were reported at the Coroner's office yesterday: JOHN McPHILLIPS, aged fifty years, of No. 20 Delaware-street; ANN McGRATH, aged sixty-one, of No. 243 East Thirty-first-street; MARY [illegible], aged twenty-fifty, at No. 216 West Houston-street; JOHN WHITE, at No. 216 West Broadway; Mrs. L. J. MILLER, aged sixty, at No. 63 Ludlow-street.

Yesterday morning a fire occurred in the cellar of the tenement house No. 341 Avenue B, causing $100 damage. Slight fires also occurred yesterday morning in the residence of Perry LORILLARD, No. 30 Fifth-avenue, in the printing establishment of BENGER & BAMBERGER, in the second floor of No. 35 Beekman-street, and in the liquor saloon of GEO. CHRISTOPHER, No. 36 Water-street, but were extinguished before any material damage was sustained.

Dr. VANDERPOEL, the new Health Officer of the Port, met a committee of the Chamber of Commerce, yesterday, at the office of Mr. HUNTSBERY. A very full and free discussion was had in regard to the quarantine regulations, and a plan for the future action of the Health Officer was agreed upon, subject only to any amendments which might be made by the Chamber of Commerce.

There was considerable excitement in the Stock Exchange at the opening, yesterday, occasioned by a sudden depression in the price of Pacific Mail Steamship stock, and a subsequent recovery of over two per cent. The stock of this Company was sold down, Tuesday, from 27½ to 26¾, on rumors of the loss of a steamship on the Pacific side, and early yesterday morning was further depressed, on reports that Mr. VANDERBILT, the President of the Company, had been served with an injunction restraining him from selling any of the collateral of the Company, or using the funds thereof for speculative purposes.

LONG ISLAND.

At the election which was held in Hempstead on Tuesday, "license to all" or "no license" was the issue. The rum interest carried the day.

The south part of the village of Flushing is suffering much from a defective supply of water.

The Republicans of New-Lots have nominated Mr. DITMAS JEWELL as their candidate for Supervisor.

ABRAM ADAMS, of East Rockaway, had his feet frost-bitten so badly that they had to be amputated yesterday.

An old man named JACOB G. VAN SCHUYVERBURG, a resident of Whitestone, was found frozen to death in his room yesterday morning.

The Queens County Grand Jury met at the Court-house at North Hempstead yesterday, and proceeded with their examination into the Newtown frauds.

It is reported that the line of steam-railroad extending from East New-York to Jamaica is about to be purchased by a number of Brooklyn and New-York capitalists.

All attempts at dragging Newtown Creek for the body of Mrs. TAYLOR, supposed to have been murdered, have proved ineffectual, because of the great amount of ice in the water.

The Common Council of Long Island City, on Tuesday night, censured a reporter for publishing a criticism on an Alderman, and refused to allow him to remain within the railing.

At a meeting at East New-York yesterday, Mr. DITMAS JEWELL submitted a resolution to appropriate $10,000 for the erection of a town house and the construction of cells wherein to incarcerate prisoners. The resolution was adopted.

A few days since some forty or fifty laborers employed in the grading of the Smithtown and Port Jefferson Railroad struck for higher wages. Yesterday they returned and attacked a gang of twenty or more laborers who refused to join them in the strike, injuring several of them severely.

STATEN ISLAND.

The new Board of Supervisors will meet at Richmond on Saturday next.

The Court of Sessions after trying several minor cases adjourned yesterday.

The town-book of Castletown, which was stolen on the 27th of February, has been returned to the Town Clerk's office.

On Monday next the Board of Supervisors will confer with Mr. JUNO in reference to a proposed change in the police system of the county. Business relating to sanitary matters will be considered, and the Seaman's Retreat and Quarantine affairs will also be discussed.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

WILLIAM F. BROWNE, Justice of the Peace, in Morrisania, was indicted yesterday for misdemeanor in his official capacity and embezzlement of fines. Judge TAPPEN admitted him to bail in the sum of $6,000.

NEW-JERSEY.

Three additional cases of small-pox were reported in Newark yesterday.

A co-operative land association has been formed at Newark, with 130 members.

The expenditures of the Orange City Government during the year are reported at $265,000.

JOHN F. BROKAW fell dead on Elm-street, Newark, yesterday. He had been suffering for some time from heart disease.

On Tuesday night, a man giving the name of LEWIS ENGLEMANN entered a canal-boat lying in Harsimus Cove, Jersey City, and stole a gold watch and other articles. He was arrested.

Sheriff RHEINHARDT, of Hudson County, yesterday conveyed to the State Prison at Trenton, Charles Hanued, James Smith, John Shepard, William Carpenter, Kate Galoogly, Mary McSpeight, William Thompson, Edward Hartlett and Hugh Beasley, convicted at the last term of the Court. The sentences range from two to eighteen years.

The Strike of the Tailors.

A strike occurred on Tuesday last at the manufacturing house of CARBART, WHITFORD & CO., tailors, in Hudson-street. A large number of what are called hasters, all men, struck for a rise in their pay of twenty-five cents on a garment. The strike caused much inconvenience on Tuesday, and a partial suspension of business. A TIMES reporter yesterday called at the workshop and found the labor proceeding in its accustomed manner. The foreman of the establishment stated that the difficulty had been compromised without any serious disturbance of the course of business, and to the entire satisfaction of the workmen.

Descent on Panel-Houses.

The Police of the Fourteenth Precinct last night visited five repated panel-houses, respectively numbered 48, 99 and 161 Crosby-street, and 126 and 136 Elm-street. It had been alleged that the panel game had been extensively carried on in these houses, but only one arrest was made last night, that of a girl named MARY WILLIAMS, residing at No. 48. Capt. CLINCHY, however, removed all the bolts, hinges, springs and other apparatus by which the disreputable trade has been so long carried on, and for the time destroyed their mode of doing business.

Havana Markets.

HAVANA, March 6.—SUGAR—No. 12 in fair demand at 9¾ reals ⅊ arroba. EXCHANGE—On United States, sixty days currency, par, at ½ ⅊ cent. premium; do., short sight, 2 ⅊ cent. premium; sixty days gold, 11½ ⅊ cent. premium; do. short sight, 13 ⅊ cent.; on London, 24½@24¾ ⅊ cent. premium.

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For Europe, via Plymouth, Cherbourg and Hamburg, by the *Silesia*, at 12 A. M., with a supplementary mail, for double-paid letters, on the Pier in Hoboken, until 1 P. M.... For Havana, Nassau and West Indies, by the *Morro Castle*, at 2 P. M., with a supplementary mail for double-paid letters, on Pier No. 4 North River, until 2½ P. M.

Closing of Domestic Mails.

North, Poughkeepsie Way	6 A. M.; 2 P. M.
North, through via H. R. R. R. and New-York Central	8 A. M.; 4:00, 9 P. M.
North, via Hudson River R. R.	8 A. M.; 9 P. M.
East, via New-Haven	8 A. M.; 1:30, 6 P. M.
East, via Newport	8 P. M.
East, New-Haven Way	8 A. M.; 1:30, 6 P. M.
East, Fall River, rail	6 P. M.
South, Through	7 A. M.; 7:30 P. M.
Philadelphia, Way	8 A. M.; 3:30 P. M.
West, Mail through to Harrisburg, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Louisville, Indianapolis, Columbus, Chicago, St. Paul, St. Joseph, Salt Lake and Denver	7 A. M.; 3:00 P. M.
West, Local, Toledo, and by A. and G. Western R. R. to Franklin and Meadville, Penn., &c.	7 A. M.; 4:30 P. M.

LATEST MARINE NEWS.

By Telegraph.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 6.—ARR. steamer Georgia, from New-York.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 6.—Cld. for New-York.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—ARR. steam-ship Alaska, from